



COMMISSION OF INQUIRY INTO THE CIRCUMSTANCES
SURROUNDING THE DEATH OF PHOENIX SINCLAIR

**Media Arrangements for Publication Ban and Redaction Hearings
to be held on July 4th, 5th, 6th and 12th, 2012**

Some arrangements have been made to assist media planning to cover the proceedings and there are limitations media may need to be aware of:

1. A limited number of tables in the hearing room will be reserved for media use.
2. The Commission will **NOT** be supplying video. Unless otherwise directed by the Commissioner, only one video camera and operator, selected and supplied by the media, is allowed to be set up in a designated area in the hearing room. It must provide a pool video feed to all media outlets at the proceeding. A feed box with standard BNC video input and outputs will be supplied by the Commission. Media must supply their own equipment and personnel to record the feed.
3. The pool video camera must remain fixed on a tripod in the designated area within the hearing room. It must be in place prior to the hearing being called into session and must not be removed from the tripod at any time during the hearing. The camera may only be removed during a break in the proceedings. Only the available room light is permitted as lighting.
4. An audio feed will be provided. Media will be required to provide their own audio XLR-type connectors, and must also provide their own video and audio recording equipment and personnel. Media must not place microphones or tape recorders at the counsel tables, clerk's table, or on the Commissioner's dais.
5. Live streaming of the hearing with a 5-minute delay in broadcasting is permitted subject to any ruling made by the Commissioner during the hearing.
6. All media are asked to set up their pool feed recording equipment in the feed area prior to the start of the public session between the time of 8:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.
7. Scrums will not be permitted in the hearing room.
8. Still photography and video cutaway shots will **NOT** be allowed. Subject to the rulings of the Commissioner, they may be permitted at the start of the public session.
9. Cell phones and other electronic devices must be turned off when entering the hearing room. Alternatively, as long as the ringers are turned off and they are not used to communicate verbally, these devices may be used in the hearing room, unless otherwise directed by the Commissioner.
10. Public exhibits may be viewed by the media in the hearing room at the end of the public session. Subject to rulings of the Commissioner, exhibits and transcripts available in electronic format may also be posted at www.phoenixsinclairinquiry.ca.

Chief Administrative Officer, Marcia Ewatski, acts as the Media Relations Officer for the Commission. Questions about media access to hearings and all requests for interviews with Commission Counsel should be directed to her by telephone at 945-8949 or by e-mail at mewatski@phoenixsinclairinquiry.ca.