

## Lyne Vandenplas Testimony to NCI Regarding Summons Issued May 19, 2023

### Creating the Summons list

A list of Canadian government officials, mainly related to health, such as Public Health Officers and Ministers of Health provincially and federally, had been prepared in January and February 2023 by a volunteer in British Columbia and myself. It took about a month for us to find everyone's name, title, address and email. This was for all Canadian 10 provinces and the 3 territories. It was particularly challenging and time consuming, as some health officials changed during this time period so we had to find where they were now as well as. Finding the addresses that were not a PO Box and the professional email address were not always obvious. We did succeed at finding what we needed to reach them all through email and/or registered mail.

### Issuing Summons

I began preparing the NCI summons as of early March 2023. Every and all summons correspondence sent, for each of the 8 hearings, were tracked and updated in the NCI Summons List .

Please see Exhibit A - NCI Summons List .

I captured the following government official details : Province, Title, Name, Address, email and summoned to Hearing date and location.

- A total of 63 government officials were sent Summons
- 57 E-mail Summons were sent with a read receipt requested.  
Tracking done for sent dates and responses if any.
- Based on hearing dates, a separate mailing for each of the 8 hearings was done. A total of 58 Registered Mail Summons were sent. Tracking done for sent date and Canada Post tracking number.
- Tracked all mail for the "received" mail date and signature obtained from Canada Post's website.
- Of the 57 emailed summons, I received the following responses:

- 8 read receipts,
- 2 responses Unable to attend
- 1 response stated they were not legally permitted to attend
- 1 declined the invitation.
- Of the 58 summons sent by registered mail:
  - 2 letters were never picked up
  - 1 delivery was inexplicably delayed and remains as is
- We received 2 Covid responses reports by email
  - [https://www.ntassembly.ca/sites/assembly/files/td\\_916-192.pdf](https://www.ntassembly.ca/sites/assembly/files/td_916-192.pdf).
  - [https://www.oag-bvg.gc.ca/internet/English/parl\\_fs\\_e\\_43705.html](https://www.oag-bvg.gc.ca/internet/English/parl_fs_e_43705.html)

Observations:

- I did observe that of the total of 63 officials summoned, not one responded positively nor agreed to testify to the NCI.
- I also observed that of the 13 provinces and territories, there have been, since the start of the Covid-19 crisis to today, changes in either the Minister of Health or Chief Medical Officer of Health position in 13 of those positions.

I affirm that everything I have written is true.

Lyne Vandenplas