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**Former Vancouver Police Department Detective Constable Jim Fisher -
serious allegations before the BC Court of Appeal**

Victoria - The Office of the Police Complaint Commissioner wishes to address a matter before the BC Court of Appeal, involving information about serious allegations of misconduct by former Vancouver Police Detective Jim Fisher. The Police Complaint Commissioner considers that it is in the public interest to inform the public as to the status of the *Police Act* investigation into the conduct of former Detective Constable Fisher.

The BC *Police Act* provides that investigations into the conduct of municipal police officers can continue even when they are no longer police officers. Former Detective Constable Fisher resigned from policing in January of 2017 however he is still subject to the provisions of the *Police Act*.

The *Police Act* investigation into the conduct of former Detective Constable Fisher was suspended pending the criminal investigation and prosecution on December 29, 2016. The *Police Act* investigation presently remains suspended.

Investigations under the *Police Act*, when complete, may result in substantiated findings of misconduct against former members that may result in discipline up to and including dismissal. Those findings are recorded on the former members' service record of discipline.

In addition, the Police Complaint Commissioner may take other actions generally including referring matters to Crown Counsel for consideration of prosecution; making recommendations to Police Boards on matters of policy and procedures or recommend that the Director of Police Services or Minister exercise their authorities to examine training, cultural or systemic issues that may have contributed to the misconduct or which may prevent its recurrence.

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