

Job Description Articling Student June 29, 2023

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The British Columbia Law Institute (BCLI) and its division, the Canadian Centre for Elder Law (CCEL) is hiring an articling student to join us between May and September 2024 (specific start date flexible). This is a full-time position for a 12 month term. The ideal candidate will possess a strong interest in addressing fundamental legal and systemic issues, as well as promoting the development of better laws that benefit all individuals in British Columbia.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications are being accepted until the position has been filled.

ABOUT US

The British Columbia Law Institute (BCLI) is a not-for-profit law reform agency that has worked to improve and modernize the law since 1997. Our work is intended to strengthen laws, develop just and innovative solutions, and increase access to justice in British Columbia through independent scholarly research, writing and educational tools for law reform. The Canadian Centre for Elder Law (CCEL) is a division of the BCLI focused on matters related to aging.

The BCLI has recently launched our Reconciling Crown Legal Frameworks Program, which researches ways to align Crown laws with BC's *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act*. This work program supports making Crown laws consistent with Indigenous governance and the implementation of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

ABOUT THE POSITION

This is a full-time position. The BCLI has offices at the Peter A. Allard School of Law on the unceded territories of the Musqueam (xwməθkwəÿəm), Squamish (Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw), and Tsleil-Waututh (Səlílwi ətaʔ/Selilwitulh) peoples, and at Thompson Rivers University on the traditional and unceded territory of the Secwépemc peoples. The position will include a combination of remote-based and in-office work.

You will work as part of the BCLI/CCEL team, conducting legal research, writing and analysis in support of our projects. You will participate in consultations with stakeholders to support law and policy reform activities, engage with our partner organizations and colleagues. You will help produce content for our publications, including law reform reports, study papers and public legal education tools. This position will include a secondment to an advocacy organization to fulfil the articling requirements.

SALARY AND BENEFITS

\$58,000 plus benefits, professional dues and opportunities for continuing professional development. Vacation is 2 weeks, in addition to our office closure from December 24 to January 1st annually.

HOW TO APPLY

Applications should include a cover letter, law school transcripts, and resume detailing relevant experience. Please submit your application to Karen Campbell, Executive Director, at careers@bcli.org with the subject line "Articling Student Position".

We anticipate interviewing short-listed candidates via remote videoconferencing. We thank all applicants for their interest. Only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. Please contact us at careers@bcli.org with any questions about the position, including any requests to meet your accessibility needs in relation to the application process.

The BCLI values diversity, and particularly acknowledges the expertise applicants may bring related to their identity and personal experiences. We welcome applications from members of communities experiencing structural discrimination, including Indigenous people, racialized people, trans, gender non-conforming, and non-binary People, Two-Spirit people, LGBTQ+ people, and people with disabilities. We encourage applicants to self-identify any personal characteristics or experiences that support our commitment to diversity if they feel comfortable doing so.