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Mr. Sunny Dhaliwal
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Dear Mr. Dhaliwal and Mr. Azam:

Re: Law Courts Inn

Dear Mr. Dhaliwal and Mr. Azam:

I write to you on behalf of The Advocates' Society in my role as Chair of the Society's British Columbia Regional Advisory Committee.

We wish to express our support for the request that the decision regarding renewal of the Inn's lease be delayed to allow a reasonable opportunity for consultation among stakeholders, including the public, the Bar, the Arthur Erickson Foundation, and the Judiciary.

The Advocates' Society views the Law Courts Inn as an important contributor to the community of the Bench and Bar in Vancouver. The Inn presents a unique opportunity to foster the collegiality, mentoring, and networking to which our Society is committed. In this way, the Inn serves the administration of justice in British Columbia.

We have held our large Fall Social Event there and hope to do the same for future events.

We hope the decision not to renew the lease will be reconsidered.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours truly,

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