



**OATH OF OFFICE FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA TEACHERS' COUNCIL
MEMBERS AND PANEL MEMBERS**

I, _____ do swear / solemnly affirm [*circle one*] that, in the exercise of my powers and the performance of my duties as a member of the British Columbia Teachers' Council or as a panel member:

- I will abide by the *Teachers Act* and act in accordance with the law and the public trust placed in me;
- I will act impartially and with integrity, putting the interests of the public above my own personal interest and the interests of any organization with which I am affiliated;
- I will avoid all conflicts of interest, whether real or perceived, declare any private interests relating to my public duties and take steps to resolve any conflicts arising in a manner that protects the public interest;
- I will conduct myself honestly and ethically, in a manner that maintains and enhances the public's trust and confidence in the governance of the teaching profession and does not bring it into disrepute;
- I will safeguard confidential information, not divulging it unless I am either authorized to do so or required to do so by law;
- I will base my decisions on the objective evidence that is available to me;
- I will ensure that other memberships, directorships, voluntary or paid positions or affiliations remain distinct from work undertaken in the course of exercising my powers or performing my duties as a council member or panel member;

So help me God. [*omit this phrase in affirmation*]

Witness

Signature of Council Member / Panel Member

Date