

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

ORDER OF THE MINISTER OF CITIZENS' SERVICES

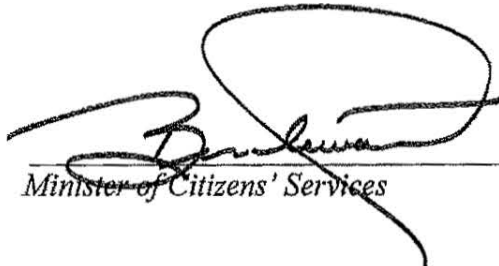
Ministerial Order No.

M 030

I, Ben Stewart, Minister of Citizens' Services, order the following under section 33.1(3) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 165:

1. A public body may disclose personal information outside of Canada through social media sites if both of the following conditions apply:
  - a) the personal information was previously disclosed on a social media site by the individual who is the subject of the personal information;
  - b) the head of the public body is satisfied that
    - (i) the personal information was obtained or compiled for the purpose of enabling the public body to engage individuals inside and outside British Columbia in public discussion and promotion respecting proposed or existing initiatives, policies, proposals, programs and legislation of the public body, or
    - (ii) that disclosure would be consistent with the purpose described in subparagraph (i).
2. For greater certainty, "personal information" includes the name, image and opinion of an individual.
3. For the purposes of this order, "social media site" means an Internet site that encourages users to share information including text, audio, video and photographs, and includes blogs, wikis and platforms such as Facebook, YouTube, Twitter and MySpace.
4. This order is rescinded three years from the date it is signed and, on the date this order is rescinded, all disclosure of personal information under this order must end.

Dec 17, 2009  
Date

  
Minister of Citizens' Services

*(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)*

Authority under which Order is made:

Act and section: *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, section 33.1 (3)

Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_