

Decision of the Chair, Workers' Compensation Appeal Tribunal

Number: 2
Date: March 3, 2003
Subject: Manual of Rules, Practices and Procedures

1. Whereas under section 234 of the *Workers Compensation Act* (the Act) the chair is responsible for the general operation of the Workers' Compensation Appeal Tribunal ("WCAT");
2. And whereas the chair's authority includes responsibility, among other things, for:
 - establishing any rules, forms, practices and procedures required for the efficient and cost effective conduct of appeals to WCAT,
 - making accessible to the public any rules, forms, practices and procedures established by the chair;
 - establishing administrative practices and procedures for the effective operation of WCAT;
 - providing for public access to WCAT decisions in a manner that protects the privacy of the parties to the proceedings; and,
 - establishing a code of conduct, including conflict of interest provisions, that governs the conduct of the members, officers, employees and contractors of WCAT.
3. Pursuant to my authority under Part 4 of the Act, the rules, practices and procedures contained in the attached *Manual of Rules, Practices and Procedures* dated March 3, 2003 are now established.
4. These rules, practices and procedures remain in effect until their amendment, replacement or revocation by the chair.

Jill Callan
Chair, Workers' Compensation Appeal Tribunal

Signed at Richmond, British Columbia, this 3rd day of March, 2003.