

THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA THE LAW COURTS BOO SMITHE STREET VANCOUVER, B. C. VGZ 2EI

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Ron Korkut 5249 Laurel Street Burnaby, BC V5G 1N1

Dear Mr. Korkut:

## RE: Your letter of January 13, 2014 to Chief Justice Hinkson

I am legal counsel for the Supreme Court. Chief Justice Hinkson has asked me to respond to your letter of January 13, 2014.

I understand from your letter that you were involved in a hit and run accident. You are correct that the circumstances involved in hit and run incidents may, in some instances, give rise to criminal charges and proceedings.

If criminal cases come to court, they are adjudicated in either the Provincial Court or the Supreme Court. However, the courts have no role in making the determination as to whether or not criminal proceedings will be initiated in any given case.

It is for the police to investigate criminal incidents, and for the Crown Counsel's office to determine whether not to bring criminal charges arising out of any particular incident.

Your question as to how you can file a criminal action against ICBC, is one that calls for legal advice. Beyond providing you with the general information above, Chief Justice Hinkson is not able to provide you with any advice.

The Court is the ultimate adjudicator of disputes and must remain impartial. Therefore it is not possible for the Court or the Chief Justice to provide legal advice to potential litigants. As such, the Chief Justice will not respond further to your inquiry.

Yours truly,

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