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Mr. John Gerretsen,

The Opticians Association of Canada is a professional association representing Licensed Opticians in Canada. Our mission is to promote Licensed Opticians and the profession; to develop and maintain a professional standard of knowledge and proficiency in our occupational field, and to educate and inform vision care consumers about matters related to their eye health.

I write to you today regarding the legal case of Great Glasses, Bruce Bergez court file no: 05-18863. It is our understanding that Mr. Bergez was successfully prosecuted by the Ontario justice system for failure to comply with existing health regulations and as well was found guilty in contempt of court charges. Upon serving his sentence in Ontario, Mr. Bergez moved to British Columbia and continues to engage in the same practices that he was prosecuted and found guilty of in Ontario. The company, Great Glasses with Mr. Bergez at its helm has been re-established in another jurisdiction. This is unfortunate, and the Opticians Association of Canada has some questions surrounding the intention and results of the Ontario Attorney Generals prosecution. Specifically, we are requesting confirmation:

- Have all fines levied on Great Glasses and Mr. Bergez been paid in full to the Attorney General's Office?
- Is the Attorney General and Ontario justice system aware that Great Glasses is jurisdiction hopping as a way of flaunting the Ontario Justice system and Mr. Justice David Crane of Ontario Superior Court?
- Are there any repercussions for Great Glasses and Mr. Bergez for deceiving the Ontario Justice system?
- Has the Ontario Attorney General's office informed their counterparts in British Columbia of their legal battle surrounding this business?

To clarify the OAC's intentions/purpose of this letter and in a spirit of transparency, the OAC intends to contact the British Columbia Attorney General and request they review the case 05-18863 from Ontario. We hope that the provincial offices can collaborate to ensure that jurisdiction hopping is not an alternative to compliance. The OAC requests a meeting with the Ontario Attorney General's office of Ontario to discuss this issue further. Thank you for taking the time to read our correspondence and we look forward to your response.



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