
INFORMATION BULLETIN

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BC Coroners Service

Inquest scheduled into death of John Robert Buehler

VICTORIA – The BC Coroners Service has scheduled an inquest into the death of John Robert Buehler, beginning on July 15, 2019.

The inquest will start at 9:30 a.m. at the Prince George Courthouse located at 250 George St.

The death of Buehler, age 51, was reported to the BC Coroners Service on Sept. 17, 2014, following a police-involved incident at a remote cabin south of Valemount.

Under Section 18(2) of the Coroners Act, inquests are mandatory for any deaths that occur while a person was detained by or in the custody of a peace officer.

Presiding coroner Donita Kuzma and a jury will hear evidence from witnesses under oath to determine the facts surrounding this death. The jury will have the opportunity to make recommendations aimed at preventing deaths under similar circumstances. A jury must not make any finding of legal responsibility or express any conclusion of law.

An inquest is a formal process that allows for public presentation of evidence relating to a death. The jury will certify the identity of the deceased and how, where, when and by what means death occurred. For more information on inquests, visit:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/life-events/death/coroners-service/inquest-schedule-jury-findings-verdicts>

The BC Coroners Service looks to gather the facts surrounding a death. It is not a fault-finding agency. It provides an independent service to the family, community, government agencies and other organizations.

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