

**FORM 30.1 (RULE 19-5)**  
**REQUEST FOR DOCUMENTS REQUIRED BY**  
**JUDICIAL AUTHORITY OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION**

It is often necessary to produce copies of court documents required by foreign jurisdictions which have certification requirements that are different from those of British Columbia. For example, Hong Kong has a special requirement that a certified copy of a grant or will must have each page separately sealed.

When you are requested to provide a certified copy of a probate document meeting the requirement of the foreign jurisdiction, you should ascertain from the foreign jurisdiction (more specifically, a lawyer acting as your agent or the government office):

1. the exact name of the foreign jurisdiction;
2. additional formalities that are required for the requested certified copy;
3. any additional supplies other than blue or black ink, a Supreme Court adhesive seal, a Supreme Court impression seal or an ink stamp certifying a document to be a true copy, include those supplies with your submission;
4. information about the foreign rule, enactment or other requirement relied on in the request that necessitates additional formalities for the requested certified copy by the judicial authority of another jurisdiction.

To request a certified copy of a document with formalities that are in addition to those used by the court

1. prepare *Form 30.1 – Request for Document Required by Judicial Authority of Another Jurisdiction*;
2. provide to the court any supplies required under the other jurisdiction, other than blue or black ink, a Supreme Court adhesive seal, a Supreme Court impression seal or an ink stamp certifying a document to be a true copy;
3. provide to the court the document or documents to be certified or issued under this rule.

The above relates to requests for certification of documents by the Supreme Court registry. In addition, both British Columbia and Canada have information online about having a document **authenticated** for use by foreign governments and organizations in order to be accepted for use in their jurisdiction. In British Columbia, authentication means that the signature of the provincial official who signed the document has been authenticated by the provincial government.

The information on the British Columbia and Canada authentication process, including instructions on how to prepare and submit the particular type of document for authentication is set out in:

*For BC:*            <http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/governments/government-id/guide-to-the-authentication-of-documents>

*For Canada:* [http://www.international.gc.ca/world-monde/study\\_work\\_travel-etude\\_travail\\_voyage/authentication-authentification/index.aspx?lang=eng](http://www.international.gc.ca/world-monde/study_work_travel-etude_travail_voyage/authentication-authentification/index.aspx?lang=eng)

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In the Supreme Court of British Columbia

In the Matter of the Estate of  
*{LEGAL NAME OF DECEASED}*, Deceased

**REQUEST FOR DOCUMENT REQUIRED BY  
JUDICIAL AUTHORITY OF ANOTHER JURISDICTION**

*{Rule 22-3 of the Supreme Court Civil Rules applies to all forms.}*

Filed by: *{name, address and telephone number of person filing request}*.

*{Check the correct box and provide the required information.}*

Requested:

A certified copy with additional formalities, as set out in Part I

{or}

The production of certification or formal documentation, as set out in Part 2

**PART 1: CERTIFIED COPY WITH ADDITIONAL FORMALITIES**

This request is for a certified copy of *{identify document by nature and, if available, date}*, with the following additional formalities in the circumstance that the formalities are required by the judicial authority of *{name of foreign jurisdiction}* in accordance with *{cite relevant foreign rule, enactment or other requirement}*.

Using numbered paragraphs, set out the additional formalities that are required for the requested certified copy. If the formalities require supplies other than blue or black ink, a Supreme Court adhesive seal, a Supreme Court impression seal or an ink stamp certifying a document to be a true copy, include those supplies with your submission.

1. *{additional formalities}*;
2. *{additional formalities}*

Using numbered paragraphs, provide information about the foreign rule, enactment or other requirement relied on in this request that necessitates additional formalities for the requested certified copy by the judicial authority of another jurisdiction.

1. *{foreign rule or enactment}*;
2. *{foreign rule or enactment}*

**PART 2: PRODUCTION OF CERTIFICATION OR FORMAL DOCUMENTATION**

This request is for the production of certification of the attached document or for other formal documentation for *{identify document by nature and, if available, date}* in the circumstance that the certification or other formal documentation is required by the judicial authority of *{name of foreign jurisdiction}* in accordance with *{cite relevant foreign rule, enactment or other requirement}*.

Using numbered paragraphs, describe the requested certification or other formal documentation.

- 1. *{describe the requested certification}*
- 2. *{describe the requested certification}*

Using numbered paragraphs, provide information about the foreign rule, enactment or other requirement relied on in this request that necessitates the requested certification or other formal documentation by the judicial authority of another jurisdiction.

- 1. *{foreign rule or enactment};*
- 2. *{foreign rule or enactment}.*

Date: .....*{mm/dd/year}*..... .

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Signature of person filing request  
*{type or print name}*

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