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The Honourable Carole Taylor  
Minister of Finance  
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Dear Minister:

**Re: PST on Legal Fees**

I write today as a citizen (*optional*: and business owner) who has needed legal services. Included in my bill was a provincial tax on those services.

I have learned today that if I had used the services of a lawyer in Alberta or Ontario I would not have paid this tax. Of all the provinces, only BC singles out legal services and no other professional service for a special tax. This is bad tax policy and bad for the economy.

People like me pay their share of taxes to support government services – including justice services -- and should not have to pay more through this extra tax.

I know that the Canadian Bar Association has called on government to remove the tax, and I want to add my voice to theirs. I believe it is time to abolish this unfair tax on legal services, and I ask that you do it without delay.

Sincerely,

cc. local MLA

