

Profile of a Notary



Brent Atkinson, Notary in Delta, BC

Brent Atkinson was born in Vancouver, BC, and grew up in New Westminister. He became a Notary Public in response to client requests and community need. Prior to being commissioned as a Notary on June 3, 1974, he obtained his Bachelor of Commerce degree at UBC, and worked as an Insurance Broker. He chose to locate his Notarial practice in Delta, where his insurance agency business is based.

For Brent, the most satisfying aspect of being a Notary is assisting clients in the areas of law where Notaries are permitted to practise. A member of the Board of Governors of The Notary Foundation since its inception in 1986, he enjoys being involved in providing financial assistance in the form of Grants to various groups and organizations that assist the public in legal education.

His community service activities include the following.

- Elected independent School Trustee in New Westminister from 1979 to present
- Past President (1980) of the Insurance Agents & Brokers Association of BC
- Past President (1990–1992) of The Society of Notaries Public of BC

Brent's position as an elected school trustee for over 20 years has given him the opportunity to be involved in negotiations with teachers, non-instructional staff, and administrators. The opportunity to resolve many educational problems for the benefit of students has been rewarding for him. Challenges during budget restraint periods have been difficult. In addition to serving as Chairman of the New Westminister School Board in 1992, Brent has served as Chairman of *every* Board committee during his many terms as Trustee.

Active in tennis and curling, he also has a keen interest in following the stock market.

Family values and good health are of prime importance to Brent. His family includes wife Gail; grown children, Scot, Kelly, and Kim; and four grown granddaughters, Cassidy, Tristan, Kira, and Reilly. Brent and Gail love cruising, and spending time at their condo in sunny Maui. ▲

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