Please note: The Complainant does not engage in the practice of conformist sex-activism language. Smith is a biological female and the Complainant supports her right to self-delusion; but her right does not demand or require active or complicit participation by the Complainant in her identity delusion, contrary to her false assertions in the video referenced below. That said, be advised that the Complainant will use the appropriate pronouns as they relate to biological reality of the person.

## **BC Law Society Complaint Details**

Adrienne Smith is an activist lawyer, and member of the Law Society, who actively consults with various groups, unions and public corporations on matters relating to sex activism, transgender rights and other political matters.

Adrienne Smith has engaged in negligently misrepresenting the law. As a lawyer, Smith has an obligation and duty to honestly represent the statutes that lawfully govern our society. Instead, Smith has embarked on a campaign to falsely inform audiences, with deliberate intent, about certain provisions in law governing speech; and in doing do has contravened section 7.3-1 of the *Code of Professional Conduct* as established by the Law Society of BC, and violated section 3(1)(a) of the *Legal Professions Act*.

Lawyer Smith is featured in a three-minute video that is available online and made for public

consumption. Video link -

https://player.vimeo.com/video/226046415

The video is titled "Why Use Appropriate Pronouns for Transgender People?" Within the first few seconds of play, Smith identifies herself as a "Vancouver lawyer and CUPE member." Smith is the only person imparting information in this video.

This tactic of deliberate misinformation is typically used to bully people into political compliance with a self-serving agenda. Smith relies on her standing as a lawyer to convince people of the need to comply with and adopt, as fact, an unlawful misapplication of the law.

The entire production features lawyer Smith and graphic messaging; there are subtitles throughout. Smith initiates the instructive video by informing the audience about *why* she is talking to them.

I'm a Vancouver lawyer and a CUPE member.

Smith then states, abusing her authority as lawyer, that it is "important" to use appropriate pronouns when addressing people who identify as transgender.







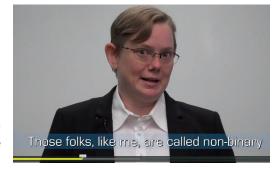
Smith next engages in parroting the typical sex-activist narrative on identity dysphoria, projecting onto the screen of those watching the bio-denier fantasy that, in this example, a male baby will not grow up to be a man. This is untrue. A male child will grow up to be a man. He might dress-up as a woman and try to imitate what his ideal woman would act like, but he is still genetically male.



Smith then corrects her misinformation and states; "Some trans people are assigned male at birth but identify as women when they grow up." True statement. Identify yes. Imitate yes. But nevertheless, they are *not* women.

The video podium becomes Smith's opportunity to "educate" viewers about her own state of confusion. Her declaration of being neither male nor female should cause some concern as to her own mental competency.

At approx. 1:12 time stamp into the video, lawyer Smith again emphasis that it is "important to use the appropriate pronouns for trans people."





Lawyer Smith then poses the "why" question. "It's the law" asserts Smith. Of course, this is not true. While Smith would like it to be "the law", and her campaign of deliberately misinforming an increasing number of people is convenient to her political agenda, the reality of the situation is that lawyers have a duty to be honest and should not engage in willfully and negligently misrepresenting the law.

Smith then attempts to bolster the lie by claiming amendments made to the Federal and BC Human Rights Act support her misrepresentation of the law.



The **Legal Professions Act** demands that all lawyers uphold the rights of "all persons." Sec 3 (a) states:

3 It is the object and duty of the society to uphold and protect the public interest in the administration of justice by (a)preserving and protecting the rights and freedoms of all persons.

By deliberately misrepresenting the law on pronoun use, lawyer Smith is violating the rights of those who do not ascribe to her delusional view of the law as it relates to pronouns; but many may believe her statements to be true because she is a lawyer. The right of all Canadians to engage in freedom of expression as it relates to pronouns has not been limited by statute or court dictate. Smith's conduct leads to conflict, bullying and division on these matters through social media, and in the development of policy when those who have been misinformed attempt to rely on, or apply, what they believe to be "the law."

It is obvious from Smith's social media that she is politically active and attends numerous speaking engagements on transgender activism.

## The Law Society rule **7.3-1** states:

A lawyer who engages in another profession, business or occupation concurrently with the practice of law must not allow such outside interest to jeopardize the lawyer's professional integrity, independence or competence.

Clearly Smith's political zealotry on matters involving transgenderism and identity politics has jeopardized her competency. Deliberately misrepresenting the law and dictating conformist conduct from her audience does more than "jeopardize" her "personal integrity"—it extinguishes it.



It should also be noted that at the end of the video Smith references a Law Society publication. A review of this information supports this complaint as there is no legal reference published within the materials to bolster Smith's assertions regarding "the law". Clearly if the members of the Law

Society want to diminish their standing and engage in delusional new-speak they can. What they can't do is use their standing, as lawyers, to advance a self-serving political agenda of a few bio-denier trans activists by fraudulently representing "the law" to the broader community as fact.

Attachment #1 is a copy of the screen shots with subtitles, taken from the video.

Attachment #2 are screen shots of lawyer Smith's social media announcements of her numerous trans activism workshops and/or speaking engagements.

Respectfully submitted this 5 <sup>th,</sup> day of December 2019
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