

Animal Custody Appeals

Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act

Participants in an appeal

All appeals have:



Chair or Panel

An impartial BCFIRB member who decides the outcome of the appeal



Appellant

The person who files an appeal



Respondent

The person defending the decision being appealed

Appeals may have:



Witness

Person who provides evidence to support a case



Representative

Person who is authorized to represent the appellant on the appeal



Legal Counsel

A lawyer representing a party in the appeal



Interpreter

Person who provides language or sign language interpretation services



Support person

someone who attends with a participant to provide emotional support, help with organization, take notes, but does not have the authority to speak or argue on their behalf