# FINANCIAL AND CONSUMER SERVICES COMMISSION RULE UP— 002 UNCLAIMED PROPERTY FEES

#### **Definitions**

- 1. (1) In this Rule "Act" means the Unclaimed Property Act.
  - The definitions contained in the *Act* apply to this Rule, unless the terms in question are defined in this Rule.

### **Fees Payable to the Commission**

- 2. (1) All fees, interest and expenses set out in this Rule, except Part 3, are payable to the Commission.
  - The fee payable for each application submitted to the Director under sections 3 and 10 of the *Act* is \$300.
  - (3) The late fee under paragraph 14(1)(b) of the *Act* is 5% of the amount due, subject to a maximum fee of \$1000.

# **Other Fees Payable**

**3.** Pursuant to section 8 of the Act, a fee charged by a holder to an apparent owner is reasonable if it is equal to the actual out-of-pocket direct costs of the service provided by the holder.

# Interest

4. The interest rate pursuant to section 14 of the *Act*, is the same rate as that set for interest on a judgement under subsection 58(3) of General Regulation – *Small Claims Act* (O.C. 2012-383).

# **Recoverable Expense**

- **5.** Pursuant to section 35 of the *Act*, the following expenses are recoverable by the Commission:
  - (a) \$50 per hour for each employee of the Commission involved in the compliance review;
  - (b) disbursements properly incurred by the Commission for a compliance review;
  - (c) fees paid or payable to an expert;
  - (d) disbursements properly incurred by an expert;

- (e) fees paid or payable for legal services;
- (f) disbursements properly incurred in connection with the provision of legal services.

#### Refunds

- **6.** Upon the application of the person who made an application or delivered property to the Director, the Director may grant a refund of the application fee paid or return the property delivered or such part thereof as the Director considers fair and reasonable, if either of the following apply:
  - (a) an application is abandoned before work has begun to process the application;
  - (b) an application or delivery of property is made in error.

## **Discretionary Reduction**

- **7.** The Director may order that any fee, expense or any amount of interest which the Director is required to charge:
  - (a) be varied by reducing the fee, expense, or amount of interest payable;
  - (b) be allowed to be paid at a later date; or
  - (c) does not apply.

### **Effective Date**

**8.** This Rule comes into force on 1 January 2022.