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URGENT: Action4Canada Awareness

RMA Insurance would like to address some concerns and issues around Action4Canada's efforts

It has been brought to our attention that various constituents are serving documents on municipalities and councillors that purport to be official legal documents. Specifically, documents drafted by the online group Action4Canada that we have reviewed are titled 'Notice of Liability Instructions' and "'Vaccine' Notice of Liability Elected/Appointed Officials'. These appear to be fillable forms that are available on the Action4Canada website.

Action4Canada appears to be based out of British Columbia. On their website, Action4Canada identify themselves as a "grassroots movement reaching out to millions of Canadians and uniting our voices in opposition to the destructive policies tearing at the fabric of this nation". Their most recent posts discuss their advocacy efforts against, among other things, COVID-19 vaccines, masks, and COVID-19 testing.

Action4Canada advises readers to send "Notices of Liability" to all levels of government and attend public meetings in order to protect their rights. Readers are instructed to "serve" documents on elected officials in person and video record the delivery. The target so far has been Alberta municipalities that have implemented the Government of Alberta [Restrictions Exemptions Program](#) in their recreation facilities.

After reviewing the Action4Canada documents and website, we wish to provide the following statements to assist our members:

- ◆ The documents titled 'Notice of Liability Instructions' and "'Vaccine' Notice of Liability Elected/Appointed Officials' are pseudo-legal documents. They are not the appropriate documents used to commence a lawsuit in Canada. The language used in the documents is similar to the organized pseudo-legal commercial argument utilized by "Freemen on the Land" or "Sovereign Citizens". Receiving these "Notice of Liability" documents is the same as receiving any written correspondence.
- ◆ If you are provided the documents in person, be cognizant of your personal safety. There is no benefit in refusing to receive the documents or escalating the interaction. If anyone feels their personal safety is at risk, they should contact local law enforcement immediately.
- ◆ In Alberta, to commence a lawsuit, the document a defendant must be served with is titled "Civil Claim" or "Statement of Claim". These documents will include an official stamp with a date from an Alberta courthouse and will provide a court file number. Should you receive documents that match this description, please contact your legal counsel immediately.
- ◆ If you become aware that individuals associated with Action4Canada may be attending a council or other public meeting, review your security and public speaker procedures to ensure they are appropriate. If needed, contact local law enforcement to assist.
- ◆ If you have questions on specific documents received or interactions with members of Action4Canada, please contact your legal counsel who will be able to provide advice on your unique circumstances.

We hope this letter provides some guidance should you receive any documents from Action4Canada. Should you have any general questions about this issue, please contact one of our risk advisors below and we will do our best to assist.

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