

Adjudicative Board Selection Criteria

ADJUDICATIVE BOARD		Animal Cruelty Appeal Board
1	Statute	<i>Section 31 - Animal Protection Act/Regulations</i>
2	Purpose	Hears appeals of decisions, from aggrieved persons, made under the <i>Animal Protection Act</i> .
3	Functions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • holds hearings to hear appeals • reviews evidence applying legal, professional and technical principles • investigates further when necessary to seek clarification or to determine additional facts on whether acts/decisions are in compliance with the Act and Regulations • rules on whether animals allegedly seized inappropriately be returned to owners while awaiting court proceedings • makes decisions on whether to ratify or overrule the initial action/ruling
4	Composition	Maximum of 10 Members through Governor In Council appointment. Chair and Vice Chair designated by Governor in Council.
5	Formal Qualifications	Experience in one or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • law • policing • law enforcement investigations • veterinary medicine • animal husbandry • animal care
6	Work & Experience Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • community recognition of high integrity/ethical standards • experience in community or public quasi-judicial boards
7	Skills Required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • demonstrated negotiation, decision making and problem solving abilities • objectivity and impartiality • professionalism in dealing with confidential/sensitive information • leadership to assist Board to reach consensus • experience in arbitration or mediation an asset <p>Chair/Vice Chair:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • proven leadership abilities • experience in chairing organizations • strong communication skills • preference given to current or former practicing lawyers

8	Statutory Nomination Requirements	None
9	Traditional Nomination Requirements	None
10	Remuneration	Chair: \$200/day + expenses Members: \$150/day + expenses
11	Anticipated Time Commitments	Only meets upon receipt of a formal appeal, but members must be available on short notice due to regulated time limitations.
12	Other Notes	Members or employees of animal rights and advocacy organizations are not eligible. Civil Servants also not eligible.