

**HARCOURT CABINET**

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### INTRODUCTION

Michael Harcourt was elected on October 17, 1991 and was sworn in as Premier November 5, 1991, taking over from Rita Johnston. He was elected to the Legislative Assembly for the first time October 22, 1986, while the New Democratic Party was still in Opposition. He was chosen leader of the New Democratic Party of British Columbia by a vote at the convention held on April 13, 1987 in Vancouver ("Affable Harcourt girds for labor code battle," Times-Colonist, April 12, 1987, p. A1).

The choice of dates for the commencement and termination of a position is not straightforward because an appointment or resignation may be announced on one date and confirmed officially on a different date. Generally the "official" date has been preferred in this document, with mention in the footnote of any other date(s) involved. If, however, there was no Order in Council (OIC) or other official notice specifically naming the minister involved, the announcement date has been used.

A list of ministers who have been designated to assume the status of acting minister in the case of absence or illness, etc. of the regularly appointed minister (not for vacant positions) is published in an OIC at irregular intervals, generally after a cabinet reorganization. These acting appointments are not covered in this document as they are for administrative purposes only.

According to Bruce DeBeck, Manager of the Order in Council Administration, the people named in these OICs do not "act" in a portfolio after it has become vacant because of the death or resignation of a minister. Similarly, although ministers were sometimes asked by the premier to act in a portfolio after the resignation of the minister, unless this was confirmed by an OIC, such an appointment has not been considered official and has not been included in this document except in a footnote.

For the purposes of this document, the final date of service for cabinet ministers in the last Harcourt administration is February 22, 1996 - the date Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. The OIC rescinding the appointment of cabinet ministers was issued on February 28, 1996, with the announcement of the new Clark Cabinet. This OIC has been noted in the Notes section on page 8.

**HARCOURT CABINET (ALPHABETICAL)**

<b><u>MINISTER</u></b>	<b>PORTFOLIO</b>	<b>START</b>	<b>END</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
Barlee, Bill	Agriculture, Fisheries and Food	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Barlee, Bill	Small Business, Tourism and Culture	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	3,4
Blencoe, Robin	Municipal Affairs, Recreation and Housing	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Blencoe, Robin	Government Services	1993-09-15	1995-03-09	3,4,5
Blencoe, Robin	Sports and Commonwealth Games, Minister Responsible for	1993-09-15	1995-03-09	3,4,5
Boone, Lois	Government Services	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Cashore, John	Environment, Lands and Parks	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Cashore, John	Aboriginal Affairs	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	3,4
Charbonneau, Art	Transportation and Highways	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,4
Charbonneau, Art	Forests	1992-09-17	1992-12-16	2,3
Charbonneau, Art	Education	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	5,8
Charbonneau, Art	Government Services	1995-03-09	1995-04-10	6,7
Charbonneau, Art	Sports and Commonwealth Games, Minister Responsible for	1995-03-09	1995-04-10	6,7
Clark, Glen	Finance and Corporate Relations	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Clark, Glen	Employment and Investment	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	3,4
Cull, Elizabeth	Health	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Cull, Elizabeth	Seniors, Minister Responsible for	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Cull, Elizabeth	Deputy Premier	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	3,6
Cull, Elizabeth	Finance and Corporation Relations	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	3,6
Cull, Elizabeth	Environment, Lands and Parks	1995-05-10	1995-08-16	4,5
Dosanjh, Ujjal	Government Services	1995-04-10	1995-08-16	1,3

<u>MINISTER</u>	PORTFOLIO	START	END	NOTES
Dosanjh, Ujjal	Multiculturalism & Human Rights, Minister Responsible for	1995-05-10	1996-02-22	2,5
Dosanjh, Ujjal	Sports, Minister Responsible for	1995-04-10	1995-08-16	1,3
Dosanjh, Ujjal	Attorney General	1995-08-16	1996-02-22	4,5
Edwards, Anne	Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources	1991-11-05	1996-02-22	1,2
Gabelmann, Colin	Attorney General	1991-11-05	1995-08-16	1,2
Gabelmann, Colin	Government Services	1995-08-16	1996-02-22	3,4
Gabelmann, Colin	Sports, Minister Responsible for	1995-08-16	1996-02-22	3,4
Hagen, Anita	Deputy Premier	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Hagen, Anita	Education	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Hagen, Anita	Multiculturalism and Human Rights, Minister Responsible for	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Hammell, Sue	Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services	1995-10-26	1996-02-22	1,2
Harcourt, Michael Franklin	Premier	1991-11-05	1996-02-22	1,2
Harcourt, Michael Franklin	President of the Council	1991-11-05	1996-02-22	1,2
MacPhail, Joy	Social Services	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	1,2
Marzari, Darlene	Culture, Minister Responsible for	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Marzari, Darlene	Tourism	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Marzari, Darlene	Municipal Affairs	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	3,4
Miller, Dan	Forests	1991-11-05	1992-09-17	1,2
Miller, Dan	Forests	1992-12-16	1993-09-15	3,4
Miller, Dan	Skills, Training and Labour	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	5,6
Pement, Jackie	Transportation and Highways	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	1,2
Perry, Tom	Advanced Education, Training and Technology	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2

<u>MINISTER</u>	PORTFOLIO	START	END	NOTES
Petter, Andrew	Aboriginal Affairs	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Petter, Andrew	Forests	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	3,4
Priddy, Penny	Women's Equality	1991-11-05	1996-02-22	1,2
Ramsey, Paul	Health	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	1,2
Ramsey, Paul	Seniors, Minister Responsible for	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	1,2
Sihota, Moe	Constitutional Affairs, Minister Responsible for	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Sihota, Moe	Labour and Consumer Services	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Sihota, Moe	Environment, Lands and Parks	1993-09-15	1995-05-10	3,4
Sihota, Moe	Multiculturalism and Human Rights, Minister Responsible for	1993-09-15	1995-05-10	3,4
Sihota, Moe	Environment, Lands and Parks	1995-08-16	1996-02-22	5,6
Smallwood, Joan	Social Services	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Smallwood, Joan	Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services	1993-09-15	1995-10-26	3,4
Zirnhelt, David	Economic Development, Small Business and Trade	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Zirnhelt, David	Agriculture, Fisheries and Food	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	3,4

**HARCOURT CABINET (BY PORTFOLIO)**

<b><u>PORTFOLIO</u></b>	<b>MINISTER</b>	<b>START</b>	<b>END</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
Aboriginal Affairs	Petter, Andrew	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Aboriginal Affairs	Cashore, John	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	3,4
Advanced Education, Training and Technology	Perry, Tom	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Agriculture, Fisheries and Food	Barlee, Bill	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Agriculture, Fisheries and Food	Zirnhelt, David	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	3,4
Attorney General	Gabelmann, Colin	1991-11-05	1995-08-16	1,2
Attorney General	Dosanjh, Ujjal	1995-08-16	1996-02-22	4,5
Constitutional Affairs, Minister Responsible for	Sihota, Moe	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Culture, Minister Responsible for	Marzari, Darlene	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Deputy Premier	Hagen, Anita	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Deputy Premier	Cull, Elizabeth	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	3,6
Economic Development, Small Business and Trade	Zirnhelt, David	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Education	Hagen, Anita	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Education	Charbonneau, Art	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	3,8
Employment and Investment	Clark, Glen	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	3,4
Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources	Edwards, Anne	1991-11-05	1996-02-22	1,2
Environment, Lands and Parks	Cashore, John	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Environment, Lands and Parks	Sihota, Moe	1993-09-15	1995-05-10	3,4
Environment, Lands and Parks	Cull, Elizabeth	1995-05-10	1995-08-16	4,5
Environment, Lands and Parks	Sihota, Moe	1995-08-16	1996-02-22	5,6
Finance and Corporate Relations	Clark, Glen	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Finance and Corporate Relations	Cull, Elizabeth	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	3,6

<u>PORTFOLIO</u>	<u>MINISTER</u>	<u>START</u>	<u>END</u>	<u>NOTES</u>
Forests	Miller, Dan	1991-11-05	1992-09-17	1,2
Forests	Charbonneau, Art	1992-09-17	1992-12-16	2,3
Forests	Miller, Dan	1992-12-16	1993-09-15	3,4
Forests	Petter, Andrew	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	3,4
Government Services	Boone, Lois	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Government Services	Blencoe, Robin	1993-09-15	1995-03-09	3,4,5
Government Services	Charbonneau, Art	1995-03-09	1995-04-10	6,7
Government Services	Dosanjh, Ujjal	1995-04-10	1995-08-16	1,3
Government Services	Gabelmann, Colin	1995-08-16	1996-02-22	3,4
Health	Cull, Elizabeth	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Health	Ramsey, Paul	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	1,2
Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services	Smallwood, Joan	1993-09-15	1995-10-26	3,4
Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services	Hammell, Sue	1995-10-26	1996-02-22	1,2
Labour and Consumer Services	Sihota, Moe	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Multiculturalism and Human Rights, Minister Responsible for	Hagen, Anita	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Multiculturalism and Human Rights, Minister Responsible for	Sihota, Moe	1993-09-15	1995-05-10	3,4
Multiculturalism and Human Rights, Minister Responsible for	Dosanjh, Ujjal	1995-05-10	1995-08-16	2,3
Multiculturalism, Human Rights and Immigration, Minister Responsible for	Dosanjh, Ujjal	1995-08-16	1996-02-22	4,5
Municipal Affairs	Marzari, Darlene	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	3,4
Municipal Affairs, Recreation and Housing	Blencoe, Robin	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Premier	Harcourt, Michael Franklin	1991-11-05	1996-02-22	1,2



<b><u>PORTFOLIO</u></b>	<b>MINISTER</b>	<b>START</b>	<b>END</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
President of the Council	Harcourt, Michael Franklin	1991-11-05	1996-02-22	1,2
Seniors, Minister Responsible for	Cull, Elizabeth	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Seniors, Minister Responsible for	Ramsey, Paul	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	1,2
Skills, Training and Labour	Miller, Dan	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	5,6
Small Business, Tourism and Culture	Barlee, Bill	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	3,4
Social Services	Smallwood, Joan	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Social Services	MacPhail, Joy	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	1,2
Sports and Commonwealth Games, Minister Responsible for	Blencoe, Robin	1993-09-15	1995-03-09	3,4,5
Sports and Commonwealth Games, Minister Responsible for	Charbonneau, Art	1995-03-09	1995-04-10	6,7
Sports, Minister Responsible for	Dosanjh, Ujjal	1995-04-10	1995-08-16	1,3
Sports, Minister Responsible for	Gabelmann, Colin	1995-08-16	1996-02-22	3,4
Tourism	Marzari, Darlene	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,2
Transportation and Highways	Charbonneau, Art	1991-11-05	1993-09-15	1,4
Transportation and Highways	Pement, Jackie	1993-09-15	1996-02-22	1,2
Women's Equality	Priddy, Penny	1991-11-05	1996-02-22	1,2

**NOTES**

Barlee, Bill

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991.
2. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
3. Appointed by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993. Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture established by OIC 1218/93.
4. February 22, 1996 is the date when Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.

Blencoe, Robin

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991.
2. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
3. Appointed by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993. Duties, powers and functions transferred by OIC 1215/93.
4. Appointment rescinded by OIC 267/95, March 9, 1995, pending investigation into an allegation of sexual harassment. ("Blencoe: it's unfair" Times-Colonist March 10, 1995 p. A1, A3)
5. Removed from cabinet and New Democrat caucus by OIC 383/95, April 4, 1995.

Boone, Lois

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991.
2. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993. Not included in cabinet appointed September 15, 1993.

Cashore, John

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991.
2. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
3. Appointed by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
4. February 22, 1996 is the date when Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.

Charbonneau, Art

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991.
2. Appointed by OIC 1496/92, September 17, 1992. Assumed portfolio for the duration of the suspension of Dan Miller.
3. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1817/92, December 16, 1992.
4. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
5. Appointed by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
6. Appointed by OIC 267/95, March 9, 1995. Assumed portfolio pending investigation into an allegation of sexual harassment against Robin Blencoe.
7. Appointment rescinded by OIC 418/95, April 10, 1995.
8. February 22, 1996 is the date when Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.

Clark, Glen

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991.
2. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
3. Appointed by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993. Ministry of Employment and Investment established by OIC 1211/93.
4. Glen Clark was sworn in as Premier on February 22, 1996. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.

Cull, Elizabeth

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991.
2. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
3. Appointed by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
4. Appointed by OIC 534/95, May 10, 1995.
5. Appointment rescinded by OIC 962/95, August 16, 1995.
6. February 22, 1996 is the date when Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.

Dosanjh, Ujjal

1. Appointed by OIC 418/95, April 10, 1995.
2. Appointed by OIC 534/95, May 10, 1995.
3. Appointment rescinded by OIC 961/95, August 16, 1995.
4. Appointed by OIC 961/95, August 16, 1995.
5. February 22, 1996 is the date when Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.

Edwards, Anne

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991. Appointment continued by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
2. February 22, 1996 is the date when Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.

Gabelmann, Colin

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991. Appointment continued by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
2. Appointment rescinded by OIC 961/95, August 16, 1995.
3. Appointed by OIC 961/95, August 16, 1995.
4. February 22, 1996 is the date when Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.

Hagen, Anita

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991.
2. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993. Not included in cabinet appointed September 15, 1993.

Hammell, Sue

1. Appointed by OIC 1294/95, October 26, 1995.
2. February 22, 1996 is the date when Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.

Harcourt, Michael Franklin

1. Sworn in as Premier and President of the Council November 5, 1991 ("Old friends agree time for healing political wounds," Sun, November 6, 1991, p. B7).
2. Announced November 15, 1995 that he will be retiring as Premier and Party Leader following NDP party leadership review. Glen Clark sworn in as Premier and President of the Council, February 22, 1996.

MacPhail, Joy

1. Appointed by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.

2. February 22, 1996 is the date when Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.

Marzari, Darlene

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991.
2. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993. Ministry of Tourism disestablished by OIC 1210/93. Responsibility for Tourism and Culture transferred to Ministry of Small Business, Tourism and Culture by OIC 1218/93.
3. Appointed by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993. Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Recreation and Housing renamed Ministry of Municipal Affairs by OIC 1210/93.
4. February 22, 1996 is the date when Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.

Miller, Dan

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991.
2. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1496/92, September 17, 1992. Suspended from cabinet for three months following an investigation by Conflict of Interest Commissioner Ted Hughes which concluded that he was in a conflict "not motivated... by any private interest". ("Forests Minister suspended," Times-Colonist, September 18, 1992, p.A1)
3. Reinstated by OIC 1817/92, December 16, 1992.
4. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
5. Appointed by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993. Ministry of Skills, Training and Labour established by OIC 1217/93.
6. February 22, 1996 is the date when Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.

Pement, Jackie

1. Appointed by OIC 1208/93, September 1993.
2. February 22, 1996 is the date when Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.

Perry, Tom

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991.
2. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993. Not included in cabinet appointed September 15, 1993. Ministry of Advanced Education, Training and Technology disestablished by OIC 1210/93.

Petter, Andrew

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991.
2. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
3. Appointed by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
4. February 22, 1996 is the date when Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.

Priddy, Penny

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991. Appointment continued by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
2. February 22, 1996 is the date when Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.

Ramsey, Paul

1. Appointed by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.

2. February 22, 1996 is the date when Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.

Sihota, Moe

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991.
2. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993. Ministry of Labour and Consumer Services disestablished by OIC 1210/93.
3. Appointed by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
4. Appointment rescinded by OIC 533/95, May 10, 1995
5. Appointed by OIC 962/95, August 16, 1995.
6. February 22, 1996 is the date when Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.

Smallwood, Joan

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991.
2. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
3. Appointed by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993. Ministry of Housing, Recreation and Consumer Services established by OIC 1216/93.
4. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1294/95, October 26, 1995.

Zirnhelt, David

1. Appointed by OIC 1368/91, November 5, 1991.
2. Appointment rescinded by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993. Ministry of Economic Development, Small Business and Trade disestablished by OIC 1210/93.
3. Appointed by OIC 1208/93, September 15, 1993.
4. February 22, 1996 is the date when Mr. Harcourt's successor, Glen Clark, was sworn in as Premier. Cabinet appointment was officially rescinded February 28, 1996 with OIC 196/96.