



BRITISH COLUMBIA REVIEW BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF PART XX.1 (Mental Disorder) OF THE *CRIMINAL CODE*
R.S.C. 1985 c.-46, as amended S.C. 2005 c. 22

IN THE MATTER OF JONGWON HAM

DISPOSITION

On April 20, 2026 Jongwon HAM (the accused) was found unfit to stand trial on account of mental disorder by the Supreme Court of British Columbia at Vancouver on 1 count of first degree murder contrary to section 235(1) of the *Criminal Code* and was ordered held in custody at the Forensic Psychiatric Hospital until disposition by the British Columbia Review Board (the Review Board);

AND on July 14, 2026 the Review Board held a hearing, in person, pursuant to section 672.47(2) of the *Criminal Code* to determine whether in its opinion the accused was fit to stand trial at the time of the hearing and made a disposition;

AND THE REVIEW BOARD DETERMINES that in its opinion, the accused is unfit to stand trial at the time of the hearing.

THE REVIEW BOARD ORDERS AND DIRECTS that the accused be detained in custody and reside in the Forensic Psychiatric Hospital subject to the following conditions:

1. THAT you are subject to the direction and supervision of the Director, Adult Forensic Psychiatric Services (the Director);
2. THAT as required by the Director, you attend at any time and place for purposes of assessment, counselling, assisting you with regard to any treatment, promoting your reintegration into society, or monitoring your compliance with this order;
3. THAT you not acquire, possess or use any firearm, explosive or weapon as defined in the *Criminal Code*. For greater clarity this condition does not prohibit you from using tools for their intended purpose at programs approved by the Director;
4. THAT you not acquire, possess or use any knife or any bladed instrument;
5. THAT you not possess, consume or use cannabis;
6. THAT you not possess, consume or use any drugs except as approved by the Director;
7. THAT at their discretion, the Director may monitor your compliance with this order by testing using urinalysis for the presence of cannabis or unapproved drugs and you shall submit to such testing upon the demand of the Director; and
8. THAT you present yourself before the Review Board when required.

THIS DISPOSITION TAKES EFFECT on July 16, 2026.

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Brenda L. Edwards
Chairperson

*Pursuant to s. 672.81 of the *Criminal Code*, this disposition is reviewable by July 16, 2027.

**Pursuant to the Order made by a Panel of the British Columbia Review Board on July 10, 2026, a common law publication ban is in effect over the fitness hearing of Jongwon Ham, conducted pursuant to s. 672.47(2) of the

Criminal Code, that is limited in scope to prohibiting the publication, broadcast, or transmission of: SEE ORDER IN ATTACHED PANEL RULING dated July 10, 2026. This ban is in effect unless otherwise ordered by the Board and shall expire no later than the conclusion of the trial of the criminal charge.

Court Bans:

***Pursuant to s. 517(1) of the *Criminal Code*, the Court hereby prohibits the publication, broadcasting, or other transmission of any evidence taken, the information given or the representations made during the bail hearing and the reasons, if any, shall not be published in any document, or broadcast or transmitted in any way before the trial is ended.

****Pursuant to s. 539(1) of the *Criminal Code*, the Court hereby prohibits that the evidence taken at the preliminary inquiry shall not be published in any document or broadcast or transmitted in any way before such time as the accused is discharged or if ordered to stand trial, the trial is ended.

*****Pursuant to the Order made by the Court on January 27, 2026, an inherent jurisdiction interim ban is in effect with respect to the content of the proceedings on that day, including any submissions by counsel that refer to the content of psychiatric reports related to Jongwon Ham, the information about those reports that was conveyed to the court by Dr. Saini and finally any of the comments made to the court by Jongwon Ham.

*****Pursuant to the Order made by the Court on February 06, 2026, an interim ban is in effect until further Order of the Court until the matter can be argued fully that any evidence and submissions on that day may not be published or broadcasted.

*****Pursuant to the Order made by the Court on February 12, 2026, a common law publication ban is in effect over the fitness hearing of the respondent Jongwon Ham, conducted pursuant to section 672.11 of the *Criminal Code*, that is limited in scope to prohibiting the publication, broadcast, or transmission of any testimony, submissions of counsel, or comments by the court: SEE COURT ORDER IN CRIMINAL FILE dated February 12, 2026 for full terms of the Court Order.



**IN THE MATTER OF PART XX.1 (Mental Disorder) OF THE *CRIMINAL CODE*
R.S.C. 1985 c.-46, as amended S.C. 2005 c. 22, S.C. 2014 c. 6**

**IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION FOR ORDERS RESPECTING A FITNESS HEARING TO BE
CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO S. 672.47(2) OF THE *CRIMINAL CODE***

RE: JONGWON HAM (THE ACCUSED)

RULING ON A PRELIMINARY APPLICATION

WHEREAS:

a Panel of the British Columbia Review Board (the Board) received and considered an application by the Accused seeking the following orders in relation to the fitness hearing in this matter:

1. That the Board redact its Reasons for Disposition before releasing them to non-parties, in accordance with the publication ban ordered by Justice Tammen on February 12, 2026, in *His Majesty the King v. Jongwon Ham*, Vancouver Registry, Court File: 35009-2; and
2. That the Board prohibit the publication, broadcasting, or transmission of any testimony, submissions of counsel, or comments by the Board during the hearing that refer to:
 - a. Mr. Ham's intentions regarding the conduct of his criminal proceedings, including the reasons for those intentions, and including, without limitation, whether he intends to plead guilty or not guilty, whether he intends to advance any particular defence, and the reasons for doing so or not doing so;
 - b. Mr. Ham's statements concerning the events underlying the alleged offence and/or his understanding of the circumstances surrounding those events; and
 - c. Communications between Mr. Ham and his counsel that are protected by solicitor-client privilege.

AND WHEREAS:

the Panel received and considered submissions in support of the Accused's application from the Attorney General of British Columbia, and submissions opposing the application from Global News;

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Panel denies the Accused's application for an order requiring the Board to redact its Reasons for Disposition before releasing them to non-parties.
2. By majority, the Panel grants the Accused's application for a limited publication ban. Accordingly, a common law publication ban shall apply to the fitness hearing of the Accused, Jongwon Ham, to be conducted on July 14, 2026, pursuant to s. 672.47(2) of the *Criminal Code*. The publication ban is limited to prohibiting the publication, broadcasting, or transmission of any testimony, submissions of counsel, or comments by the Board that refer to:
 - a. Mr. Ham's intentions regarding the conduct of his criminal proceedings, including the reasons for those intentions, and including, without limitation, whether he intends to plead guilty or not guilty,

whether he intends to advance any particular defence, and the reasons for doing so or not doing so;

b. Mr. Ham's statements concerning the events underlying the alleged offence and/or his understanding of the circumstances surrounding those events; and

c. Communications between Mr. Ham and his counsel that are protected by solicitor-client privilege.

This publication ban shall remain in effect unless otherwise ordered by the Board and shall expire no later than the conclusion of the trial of the criminal charge.

Dated July 10, 2026.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G Boudreau', with a stylized, cursive script.

**Geneviève Boudreau
BC Review Board Chair**