

CUSTODY COURTS

WHAT'S NEW?

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Special Sittings – Bail Applications

From time to time, there are bail applications that are brought to our attention by either Crown or Defence that require more time than a typical bail hearing. Transferring these cases directly to bail court may impact on our ability to deal with all of the other matters scheduled for bail court. Therefore, all bail applications identified as lengthier matters will be dealt with as follows:

Arrangements can be made with Prosecutions through the Trial Co-Ordinator's office for a special sitting.

OR

The matter can be scheduled for Courtroom 304/305 at 2:00 p.m.

At 2:00, you can attend the courtroom and you will be advised by the Bail Court Judge of one of the following:

1. Another Judge & Crown is available to do the hearing in another courtroom.
2. There will be enough time in the bail court to proceed with the hearing that day.
3. The bail court has too many matters already transferred in and another Judge & Crown is not available. At that point, you can decide if you want to put the matter over to another bail court day to try the same process or if you want to contact the Trial Co-Ordinator to arrange a special sitting.

Adjournment Slips

For all custody courts in courtroom 301 and 308, if defence counsel does not have to speak to the Crown or their support staff directly, they can simply fill out an adjournment slip and leave it with the Pre-Trial Co-ordinator. It is important that counsel indicate their contact information in the event that there is a concern with the adjournment request.

This is being distributed on behalf of The Custody Courts Advisory Committee (CCAC).
If you have any comments or suggestions that you would like CCAC to consider, please contact any of the following members:

Judiciary: Chief Judge Raymond Wyant, Judge Richard Chartier

Provincial Prosecutions: Janice LeMaistre, Michele Jules, Russ Ridd

Federal Prosecutions: Paul Jensen, Erin Magas

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