

NOTICE

COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH OF MANITOBA

RE: GENERAL DIVISION PROTECTION ORDER HEARINGS LIST (WINNIPEG CENTRE)

As announced in the Notice titled "New General Division Protection Order Hearings List (Winnipeg Centre)" and issued on July 17, 2014, applications to set aside or vary a protection order granted by a Judicial Justice of the Peace are now set down on a Protection Order Hearings List held every second Wednesday at 2:00 p.m.

This List has been implemented to better manage the disposition of applications to set aside or vary protection orders. An objective of the List is to attempt to resolve as many matters as possible on a consent basis or by adjudicating the matter on a summary basis (confirm, set aside or vary). Where matters cannot be resolved by consent or adjudication on the List, the matter will be pre-tried so as to ready it for a contested hearing. Efforts will be made to narrow the issues, discuss procedure and ensure that adequate time is set for the contested hearing. Where a matter requires the setting of a contested hearing date, the judge on the List may set this hearing date. With this approach, it is anticipated that those matters that can be resolved will be brought to a timely resolution while contested matters will be managed so that the contested hearing will proceed as expeditiously as possible.

Accordingly, when matters appear on the List, it is required that counsel and the parties will attend and will be prepared to address resolution of the matter and to address contentious issues on a summary basis. If the matter cannot be resolved, those in attendance should be prepared to engage in a meaningful discussion as to how to narrow and streamline the issues for hearing and to address other pre-hearing issues, similar to the case conference and pre-trial process employed by the court with respect to other civil matters.

ISSUED BY:

"Original signed by Chief Justice Joyal"

**The Honourable Chief Justice Glenn D. Joyal
Court of Queen's Bench (Manitoba)**

DATE: November 12, 2014