

**COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH OF MANITOBA  
PRACTICE DIRECTION**

**CRIMINAL PRE-TRIALS**

Commencing April 1, 2014, both Crown and defence will be required to file pre-trial briefs before the first pre-trial conference in every criminal case. The form to be followed for the brief will be posted on the court website ([www.manitobacourts.mb.ca](http://www.manitobacourts.mb.ca)).

This new practice is designed to ensure more effective use of court time by the early identification of issues.

**ISSUED BY:**

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

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