

**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).

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

ISSUED BY:

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

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