

NOTICE

PROVINCIAL COURT OF MANITOBA (WINNIPEG CENTRE)

RE: Afternoon Assignment Court (Pilot Project)

After consulting with Justice System stakeholders, the Provincial Court of Manitoba (Winnipeg Centre) has implemented an afternoon assignment court for dispositions and special bails **Tuesday through Thursday** on a pilot basis.

The purpose of this afternoon assignment court is to improve and increase access to justice. It will allow for distribution of cases in the afternoon among available judges, and will facilitate the ability of counsel and self represented individuals to arrange sentencing hearings on short notice in conjunction with the work of the Intensive Case Assessment Process (ICAP) Unit at Manitoba Prosecution Service.

The Assignment Court will commence at 1:45 p.m. and will assign matters that are ready to proceed to designated disposition courts (308, 303, 401) and when available, to standby trial courts. All matters presently scheduled in disposition courts (other than 402) will be moved into 403 afternoon assignment court. Courtroom 402 will be reserved for dispositions with filed materials.

To schedule a disposition or special sitting, counsel will contact the Disposition Coordinator who will maintain the list of matters scheduled for the afternoon assignment court. The Disposition Coordinator can be contacted by telephone at 204-945-6712 or via email at earlypcdispos@gov.mb.ca.

The first sitting of this court will be held on Wednesday, July 15, 2015.

ISSUED BY:



Chief Judge Ken Champagne
(Manitoba)

DATE: June 30, 2015