

NOTICE

PROVINCIAL COURT OF MANITOBA (WINNIPEG CENTRE)

RE: CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCES

Following discussion with counsel and in consultation with the Provincial Court Bench and to further achieve compliance with the principles in *R. v Jordan*, the Provincial Court is making additional case management conference slots available to counsel.

Beginning March 1, 2017, counsel will be able to book case management conferences on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. Bookings will be made through the Trial Coordinators Office.

Recognizing case management is most successful when both parties are willing and prepared to discuss the issues, in order to make the case management conference as productive as possible, the following principles will be applied:

- Counsel attending must have read the file and have had a preliminary discussion with counsel opposite about the issues and each counsel's position.
- Substantial disclosure should be complete so counsel can have meaningful discussions about resolution and/or identify the issues for trial.
- Counsel attending must have conduct of the file.
- Counsel attending must have instructions from their clients and be prepared to make substantive decisions.
- A trial date will be set at the end of the first case management conference and any further case management conferences will be booked with the trial dates in mind.
- Counsel will verify compliance with the above by completing a Case Management Readiness form which will be provided to the Court prior to attendance at the case management conference.

ISSUED BY:



Chief Judge Margaret Wiebe
(Manitoba)

DATE: January 9, 2017