

# NOTICE

## PROVINCIAL COURT OF MANITOBA

### RE: OUT OF PROVINCE PARTIES AND WITNESSES, THE CONTINUING OBLIGATION TO ISOLATE FOR 14 DAYS AND THE EXEMPTION

The Government of Manitoba Public Health Order dated June 26, 2021 has created an exemption from the 14-day isolation period for those who are fully immunized (two vaccine doses plus two weeks from the time of their second dose). Given this, people returning to or coming to Manitoba from other jurisdictions who have travelled domestically for essential and non-essential purposes are exempt from the requirement to self-isolate upon entering Manitoba if they provide official proof of the immunization requirements set out above. This exemption will also apply to court participants. International travellers must follow federal testing and self-isolation (quarantine) requirements.

All court participants will still be required to answer the COVID screening questions in order to attend judicial proceedings and will only be permitted entry if they are not displaying any symptoms of COVID-19. The wearing of masks remains mandatory as per earlier court Notices.

If you do not meet the exemption requirements above, and notwithstanding the identified exemption, in the January 28, 2021 Public Health Orders, this Notice will confirm that until further notice, given the continued troubling existence of COVID variants and given the Provincial Court's continuing efforts to balance its commitments to access to justice and the delivery of its judicial services with the safety of all Court participants, the Court will still require all parties or witnesses (irrespective of whether they are displaying symptoms) who wish to attend in person for their proceedings and who are coming from outside of Manitoba, to continue to isolate as before, for the requisite 14 days.

Parties should consult the relevant Notices and Practice Directives issued by the Provincial Court governing in-person and virtual hearings.

This Notice comes into effect immediately.

#### ISSUED BY:

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**The Honourable Chief Judge Margaret Wiebe  
Provincial Court of Manitoba**

**DATE: June 24, 2021**