

NOTICE AND PRACTICE DIRECTION
COURT OF KING'S BENCH OF MANITOBA

RE: Small Claims Limit Increase and Limit on Filing Material

Effectively January 1, 2025, the limit for claims that may be filed under *The Court of King's Bench Small Claims Practices Act* will increase to an amount not exceeding \$20,000.

In addition, to reflect the object and purpose of this *Act*, namely to provide for the determination of claims in a simple manner as expeditious, informal and inexpensive as possible commensurate with the matters at issue in each claim, the following limits will apply on the materials that may be filed before the court officer hearing the claim:

- If legal briefs are required, they cannot exceed 10 pages in length and are to be typed in font size 14, on 8 1/2" by 11" (21.59 cm by 27.94 cm) single-sided white paper, double-spaced with a maximum of 26 lines per page and with margins of no less than 1" (2.54 cm).
- Authorities attached to a brief or filed with the hearing officer will be limited to extracts from legislation relied upon by a party and a maximum of two additional documents such as case law or extracts from a recognized textbook.

ISSUED BY:

"Original signed by Chief Justice Joyal"

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

DATE: DECEMBER 9, 2024