# PUBLIC NOTICE Access and Street Parking Restrictions New Westminster Law Courts

The trial of *Regina v. Robert William Pickton* is scheduled to begin at the **New Westminster Law Courts** on January 22, 2007 and is expected to last a number of months. Bans on publication and disclosure remain in force. A high level of public and media interest is anticipated when this trial commences.

Plans to minimize disruption and inconvenience to the public during the proceedings have been developed by the Ministry of Attorney General, in consultation with the City of New Westminster.

# Parking Restrictions:

Street parking in and around the New Westminster Law Courts may be restricted during certain times during the court proceedings. If you will be attending the New Westminster Law Courts and area, allow additional time to secure parking or consider transportation alternatives.

### **Courthouse and Courtroom Access:**

- Access to the New Westminster Law Courts will be restricted to the Begbie Square main entrance. Search stations will be in operation and all persons attending the Law Courts will be subject to search.
- Courtroom 102 is the designated courtroom for the proceedings and the public gallery has a seating capacity of fifty. Courtroom 101 is designated for overflow and seats one hundred and six.
- The overflow courtroom is equipped with a live audio/video feed from courtroom 102.
- There will be a seating plan in place to accommodate the public, accredited media and the family members of the victims and the accused.
- A pass system will be in affect for Courtrooms 101 and 102 on high volume days.
- Only one pass per person will be issued on a first come, first served basis. A
  queue will be setup as necessary. Court staff will be present to assist you.
- As space is limited and out of consideration for others, size restrictions have been established for bags, packs and briefcases being brought into the Courthouse. There are no public storage facilities available for bags at New Westminster Law Courts.

# Bag sizes restrictions limited to items under the following dimensions:

# COURTHOUSE COURTROOM 101/102 25 cm. (W) x 48 cm. (L) x 36 cm (H) or 10" in. (W) x 19" in. (L) x 14" in. (H) COURTROOM 101/102 30 cm. (W) x 15 cm. (L) x 25 cm. (H) or 12" in. (W) x 6" in. (L) 10" in. (H)

Please see <a href="http://www.ag.gov.bc.ca/courts/pickton/index.htm">http://www.ag.gov.bc.ca/courts/pickton/index.htm</a> for additional information.

