



**MANITOBA COURT OF APPEAL
MANITOBA COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH
MANITOBA PROVINCIAL COURT**

NOTICE TO THE PROFESSION

August 31, 2021

Re: September 30 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

September 30, 2021 has been designated as National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and a public holiday. This federal holiday was only recently announced. In order to recognize this holiday this year, the Manitoba Courts have taken steps to reduce the number of matters booked, however, the Courts have many cases already set to proceed on this day. The Court participants including accused and complainants are awaiting their day for hearings. Given the access to justice challenges the Courts face due to COVID-19 and the lateness of the announcement, the Courts have determined, in fairness to the Court participants, it cannot adjourn the cases already booked and so will proceed with those cases scheduled for September 30, 2021. The Courts will not sit on National Day for Truth and Reconciliation beginning September 30, 2022.

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