



**COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH OF ALBERTA**

**NOTICE TO THE PROFESSION**

**Edmonton Summer Trial Sitings - 2016**

The Court continues to assess the ongoing need and demand for Queen's Bench summer trial sittings. Based on recent experience, the following principles will apply to the summer of 2016 in Edmonton:

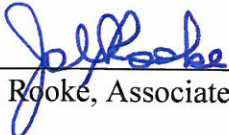
- 1) Summer trial bookings in Edmonton will open up immediately with one justice being assigned to hear non-jury trials of five days or less throughout July and August.
- 2) Priority for summer bookings will be assigned to the following trials:

**Criminal:** Accused in custody on the charge(s) before the Court, serious situations of delay, or situations where there is good reason for urgency (such as where special arrangements are required to accommodate witnesses).

**Civil:** Family law matters involving child-related decision-making required before September school commencement; any non-family matter where there is good reason for urgency (such as where special arrangements are required to accommodate witnesses).

Summer trial assignments will require the prior approval of the Associate Chief Justice or his designate for civil trials, and the Associate Chief Justice or the Queen's Bench Appearance Court (QBAC) Justice in relation to criminal matters, based on the above priorities.

Criminal and civil matters not coming within the above priorities may be booked on an overbook basis on the understanding that these matters may be bumped.

  
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John D. Rooke, Associate Chief Justice