

Notice to the Profession, the Public and the Media regarding Criminal, Civil and Family Proceedings Prince Edward Island Court of Appeal, Supreme Court and Provincial Court

December 9, 2021

This notice is to provide additional information and clarification on court operations at the Charlottetown courthouse facilities. Two Charlottetown staff members tested positive for COVID-19 and therefore the courts have operated on a modified basis over the last few days. Generally, matters have proceeded virtually or have been adjourned.

The Chief Public Health Office has recently identified the courthouse facilities located at 42 Water Street, Charlottetown (Court of Appeal and Supreme Court) and 3 Harbourside Access Road, Charlottetown (Provincial Court) as public exposure sites for the following dates: Thursday December 2, Friday December 3 and Monday December 6. Given the current situation, and out of an abundance of caution, the courts in Charlottetown will continue to operate on a modified basis at this time. Matters will generally not proceed in person, but rather will proceed virtually or will be adjourned. However, emergency, urgent or essential matters may proceed in person.

The courts are attempting to reach out to parties directly in relation to scheduled matters. However, any questions may be directed to the following:

Prince Edward Island Court of Appeal: 902 368 6024
Supreme Court of Prince Edward Island: 902 368 6023
Provincial Court Charlottetown: 902 368 6040

Court operations in other locations (Summerside, Slemon Park and Georgetown) are unaffected, and matters are proceeding as scheduled.

The courts are following all guidance and recommendations of the CPHO, and remain committed to ensuring safe facilities for staff and the public. Members of the public are reminded as well that all court staff and members of the judiciary are fully vaccinated.

Acting Chief Justice Michele M. Murphy Prince Edward Island Court of Appeal

Chief Justice Tracey L. Clements Supreme Court of Prince Edward Island

Chief Judge Jeffrey E. Lantz Provincial Court of Prince Edward Island