

Alberta Court of Justice

Calgary Criminal Division Courtroom 507 - Multi-Purpose Courtroom

Effective: September 21, 2022

Overview

Several different matters may be scheduled in this courtroom, as described in greater detail below. On Monday, low complexity trials will be scheduled all day. On Tuesday, the courtroom is used for scheduled peace bond, bail variation, and Section 490 hearings before Justices of the Peace. On Wednesday, the courtroom is used for scheduled regional bail hearings of 30 minutes or more and disposition hearings of 20 minutes or more. On Friday, the courtroom is available for use as a feeder court as needed.

Procedures/Guidelines

Unless otherwise specified, this Court will have a morning session beginning at 9:30 a.m. and an afternoon session beginning at 2:00 p.m. and will sit no later than 4:30p.m. Matters in this courtroom will be scheduled as follows:

Monday and Thursday

- 1. In custody and out of custody dispositions scheduled through CMO into hourly slots during the morning session only:
 - a. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
 - b. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
 - c. 11:30 a.m. 12:30p.m.

For scheduled dispositions on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays Defence/Duty Counsel will contact the assigned Crown prosecutor to discuss and agree upon the following:

- In the case of a multi-count information or multiple informations, the charges to which guilty pleas will be expected;
- An agreed statement of facts that will be presented to the Court supporting the guilty plea(s) either orally or in writing;

• Any supporting documents that will be referenced during the sentencing hearing. It will be the responsibility of counsel relying on the document to ensure it is emailed to the Court in accordance with the practice set out below. Documents that are necessary for the presiding Justice to review in advance of the scheduled court date (i.e., case law, etc.) should be sent directly to Judges' Chambers using this link. Material should be sent no later than 9:00 a.m. the day prior to the scheduled court appearance.

Once discussions outlined above have been completed and the matter is ready to proceed, Defence/Duty Counsel will contact the relevant CMO and book the disposition into an allotted time slot as above on a date agreed upon with Crown counsel.

2. Low Complexity trials from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday

- 3. Section 810 peace bonds; bail variations; process hearings; section 490 hearings scheduled through CMO into hourly slots:
 - a. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
 - b. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
 - c. 11:30 a.m. 12:30p.m.
 - d. 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
 - e. 3:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday

- 4. Regional judicial interim release hearing and disposition court (prosecuted by the Calgary Rural and Regional Response Office and the Public Prosecution Service of Canada (regional locations).
- 5. Judicial interim release hearings anticipated to take 30 minutes or longer and both in and out of custody dispositions anticipated to take 20 minutes or longer will be scheduled through the Regional CMO in the following hourly time slots:
 - a. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
 - b. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
 - c. 11:30 a.m. 12:30 a.m.
 - d. iv. 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
 - e. v. 3:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. Friday
- 6. This courtroom will be available as a feeder court for trials as needed.