

**PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE**

**R. v.**

**Crown:**

**Defence:**

Date of Pre-trial:

Trial Dates:

This pretrial conference has been set pursuant to Section 625.1(1) of the Criminal Code.

Counsel should have instructions to be able to address the issues noted below.

**The purpose of the pre-trial conference is to maximize efficient use of the court's docket by identifying and addressing issues in advance of the trial and avoid adjournments that result in the loss of active court time. There may be circumstances where delays are unavoidable, however, adjournment requests following the pre-trial conference(s) will be assessed having regard to court scheduling concerns as well as other relevant considerations.**

Please direct any questions concerning the pre-trial conference to at [court clerk's email address] or [court clerk's phone number]

Issued at [ ] Nova Scotia, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

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Court Reporter

1) Preliminary Matters:

- a) Are there any amendments to the charge or charges?
- b) Are there any other preliminary matters?

2) Has the Crown made disclosure satisfactory to the accused?

3) Will both parties be ready to proceed on the trial dates?

- a) Have witnesses been subpoenaed?

4) Is the estimated time for trial accurate?

- a) Are the parties involved in discussions that may more precisely define the issues or reduce the time needed?

b) Is there any potential at this stage that such discussions might take place.

- c) How many witnesses does the Crown expect to call?

5) Are there any agreements with regard to facts or issues?

- a) Will those agreements be set out in written form?

- 6) Will there be voir dices?
  - a) If so, on what issue(s)?
  - b) Length of voir dire(s)?
  - c) Should any voir dire(s) be conducted during the trial or in advance of the trial dates?
  
- 7) Will the parties be raising any Charter issues?
  - a) What are the Charter issues?
  - b) Has notice been given?
  
- 8) Will either party be calling any expert witnesses?
  - a) Has that party complied with s. 657.3 (3) of the Criminal Code?
  - b) On what issues will the expert evidence be tendered?
  - c) Is the admissibility of the expert evidence contested?
  
- 9) Will either party require an interpreter?
  
- 10) Do either Crown or Defence require any technical equipment?
  - a) Videolink? Crown \_\_\_\_\_ Defence \_\_\_\_\_

- b) Individual Monitors?
  - c) Other? Crown \_\_\_\_\_ Defence \_\_\_\_\_
  - d) CR#6 has the technology to play DVD's - flat screen monitor and laptop
- 11) How many Crown exhibits are likely?
- a) Will they be pre-marked and a copy of the list provided to the Crown and Defence?
  - b) Is there agreement concerning continuity?
- 12) Are there other legal issues that are likely to arise at trial?
- 13) Are there other evidentiary issues that are likely to arise at trial?
- 14) Further pre-trial dates: \_\_\_\_\_