

THE NUNAVUT COURT OF JUSTICE

PRACTICE DIRECTIVE #15

FILING DEADLINES FOR CIVIL AND CRIMINAL CHAMBERS SET FOR HEARING ON CIRCUIT

Explanatory Note:

Counsel are reminded that court staff may leave Iqaluit with all Court files set for appearance at a circuit location several days in advance of the circuit. Any materials filed after the Court clerk leaves Iqaluit must then be re-transmitted to the appropriate circuit location. The late filing of documents wastes much court staff time by having to fax or email pleadings to remote circuit locations.

Absent special leave from the Court, no documents for civil or criminal chambers will be forwarded to the Clerk of the Court on circuit if received within less than 3 clear business days of the scheduled hearing date. Documents received after this filing deadline, will be adjourned to the next sitting of Criminal or Civil Chambers in Iqaluit or to the next sitting of the Court in that community at the direction of the court.

Counsel wishing to apply for special leave to file late must file a memorandum explaining why they were unable to comply with the filing deadlines set out in this practice directive and outlining any exigent circumstances requiring an earlier hearing or actual prejudice associated with further delay.

This Practice Directive comes into force on February 1st 2010 and applies to any documents filed after this date.

Issued this 21st day of December, 2009 at the direction of the Judges of the Nunavut Court of Justice.

Mr. Justice R. Kilpatrick

Mr. Justice E. Johnson

Mr. Justice N. Sharkey