

HINTS AND TIPS FROM THE PROTHONOTARY - REGISTRAR

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COURT DOCKETS

Supreme Court Crownside in Halifax will be held on the following dates: July 8, 22, August 5, 19, 2010. Reduced to twice per month for the summer.

Appearance Days will be held at 12 noon on July 9, 16, 23, 30, August 6, 13, 20, and 27th, 2010.

There will be no Supreme Court Chambers in Halifax on Mondays and Fridays for the month of July and August 2010. Starting July 1, 2010 and continuing until September 7, 2010 there will only be regular chambers on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 9:30 a.m.

Court of Appeal Chambers will continue during the summer at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday in person and at pre-arranged telephone times on Wednesday.

SUPREME COURT

1. Although there have been many reminders to counsel regarding the filing of only one Book of Authorities with briefs, this continues to be an issue for the court. **Please note: where a brief filed with the court references case law, only ONE COPY of the Book of Authorities is to be filed.** Duplicate briefs are to be filed but only one copy for the Book of Authorities is to be filed. Effective immediately, where more than one copy of the Book of Authorities is sent to the court, extra copies will not be accepted and will be returned to counsel.
2. On June 25th, 2010, the justices of the Supreme Court adopted a change to the Practice Memorandum # 1. At page 30, that is the second page of the Order for Foreclosure, Sale, and Possession, paragraph # 5 - at the end of the first sentence the reference to paragraph 3 is changed to "paragraph 4."
3. Counsel are reminded that the Prothonotary's Certificate on documents being filed must reflect what the document is that is being filed with the court. For example: an Amended Notice of Action - the Certificate must reflect that an amended Notice of Action is being filed not a Notice of Action. Counter staff are making these changes to the Certificates constantly. Effective September 15, 2010, any Certificate that

does not properly identify the document being filed will not be accepted for filing.

4. Counsel are reminded that over the summer holidays staff will be reduced in the Prothonotary's office because of summer vacations and the cooperation of all would be greatly appreciated.

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