



SUPREME COURT *of* NOVA SCOTIA (FAMILY DIVISION)

Summer Emergencies

April 21, 2026

In past years, the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia (Family Division) has had to deal with several emergency motions and applications for back-to-school issues or relocation requests for September, which are often filed very close to the end of the summer. However, in the last couple of years, Notices have been sent out encouraging parties to file any such motions and applications in a timely manner. Feedback has been received from the Bar that these have been useful reminders in assisting with more timely filings of summer emergency requests.

Thus, to help ensure that Court time will be available to deal with summer emergency requests this year, counsel are asked to file their materials with the Supreme Court (Family Division) for Halifax matters on or before June 9, 2026. At other sites, particularly single-judge sites, counsel are asked to file their materials, by May 4, 2026, and, if possible, even earlier.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Associate Chief Justice R. Lester Jesudason
Supreme Court of Nova Scotia (Family Division)