

# **JOHN SOPINKA COURTHOUSE, HAMILTON**

Local Administrative Judge - Madam Justice J.A. Milanetti  
Justices' Spring Seminar May 3-5, 2017/ Justices' Fall Seminar November 8-10, 2017  
Central South Regional Meeting June 7-9, 2017

## **Long Civil Trials (Regional List - civil trials over 15 days in length)**

- March 20, 2017
- October 10, 2017

To be set by Regional Senior Justice upon consideration after receipt of Intake form.  
Pre-trials (mandatory) to be arranged through Regional Senior Justice's Office.

## **Trial Scheduling Court (gowns not required)**

Note: Pre-trials are mandatory on all civil actions commenced after January 1, 2010.  
Criminal and Civil Assignment Courts will be held in Courtroom 600 unless otherwise directed on the posted docket.

### **Civil at 10 a.m.**

- January 18, 2017
- February 15, 2017
- March 15, 2017
- April 19, 2017
- May 17, 2017
- June 14, 2017
- July 19, 2017
- August 16, 2017
- September 13, 2017
- October 18, 2017
- November 15, 2017
- December 13, 2017

### **Criminal at 9 a.m. (out of custody) & 2 p.m. (in custody)**

- January 20, 2017
- February 17, 2017
- March 17, 2017
- April 21, 2017
- May 19, 2017
- June 16, 2017
- July 21, 2017
- August 18, 2017
- September 15, 2017
- October 20, 2017
- November 17, 2017
- December 15, 2017

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## CIVIL

The Registrar shall place an action that has been set down for trial on the next available Trial Scheduling Court following the 60-day period mandated by Rule 48.06. At Trial Scheduling Court counsel may agree to have the case set for a mandatory pre-trial as per Rule 50.02 and place their matter on one of the four civil sittings held per year.

The party filing the Trial Record or Notice of Readiness for Pre-Trial Conference will receive a Form 1 notice and has the obligations set forth therein. Civil matters may be adjourned from the Trial Scheduling court list to a pre-trial date and placed on one of the four annual sittings using a Form 2 if all counsel/parties consent to the matter being set for a pre-trial and particular trial list. If the Form 2 consent, properly completed, is filed at least three days prior to the Trial Scheduling Court, counsel and litigants need not appear. Otherwise counsel/parties must appear at the Trial Scheduling Court to speak to the matter, and the presiding justice will direct the future steps of the action. If parties consent, up to three requests for adjournment may be filed with the trial coordinator's office. Any subsequent adjournments must be made before the presiding judge, whether on consent or not.

Available pre-trial dates are to be obtained through the trial coordinator's office. Please specify how much time is required – 45 minutes is the norm. Please follow up each telephone request with a faxed letter confirming the date and time chosen.

### CIVIL JURY & NON-JURY SITTINGS– 4 SITTINGS PER YEAR– 3 WEEKS EACH DURATION

“Trial Readiness” courts are scheduled prior to each sittings and counsel must be in attendance to speak to the matter unless a “Consent for Trial Readiness Court” form is completed and received by the trial coordinator's office 3 days prior to the speak to date. All juries are selected on the first day of the sittings.

- January 16, 2017                      “Trial Readiness” court Monday January 9, 2017 at 10 a.m.
- May 8, 2017                              “Trial Readiness” court Monday May 1, 2017 at 10 a.m.
- September 18, 2017                      “Trial Readiness” court Monday September 11, 2017 at 10 a.m.
- November 20, 2017                      “Trial Readiness” court Monday November 6, 2017 at 10 a.m.

Cases are expected to proceed to trial at the sittings chosen by counsel or directed by the Trial Scheduling Court justice. Counsel must attend the “Trial Readiness” court held before the commencement of each sitting as indicated above to advise the court of any problems that litigants, witnesses or counsel have in proceeding with the trial throughout the period of the sittings. If counsel indicates that a matter is going to proceed then it is expected it will do so. Applications for adjournment, whether on consent or otherwise, brought after the “Trial Readiness” court will be granted only in urgent and unforeseeable circumstances.

*Please advise the trial coordinator's office as soon as possible if a matter settles.*

## MOTIONS

Civil motions of one hour or less are heard every Tuesday and Thursday at 10 a.m.

Confirmations required 3 days prior by 2 p.m.

Motions over 1 hour must be adjourned on consent to a running list any week to be called on short notice from the trial coordinator. Factums are required.

There will be no motions May 4, June 8 and November 9, 2017

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## DIVISIONAL COURT SITTINGS (ONE WEEK LONG EACH)

- February 6, 2017
- June 5, 2017
- October 2, 2017

## AUDITS/PASSING OF ACCOUNTS

*(Wednesdays)*

- February 8, 2017 at 10 a.m.
- April 5, 2017 at 10 a.m.
- June 21, 2017 at 10 a.m.
- August 9, 2017 at 10 a.m.
- October 11, 2017 at 10 a.m.
- December 6, 2017 at 10 a.m.

## BAIL ESTREATS

*(Fridays)*

- February 10, 2017 at 10 a.m.
- April 7, 2017 at 10 a.m.
- June 23, 2017 at 10 a.m.
- August 11, 2017 at 10 a.m.
- October 13, 2017 at 10 a.m.
- December 8, 2017 at 10 a.m.

## CRIMINAL TRIALS & PRE-TRIALS

Counsel to contact Trial Coordinator to arrange no later than 3 days before assignment court.

## BAIL REVIEWS & CRIMINAL APPLICATIONS

Counsel to contact Trial Coordinator to arrange dates.

Trial Coordinator's office telephone # (905) 645-5322 Fax # (905) 645-5394

More helpful information may be found on the Superior Court website at:

[www.ontariocourts.ca/scj/practice/schedules/cs/](http://www.ontariocourts.ca/scj/practice/schedules/cs/)