

311 Jarvis Operations Committee: November 16, 2016

These are the highlights of the committee meeting:

1. Justice O'Connell announced that the Open Bar materials will be distributed electronically beginning next fall and the FLA will distribute the materials a few days after each session.

There was discussion re: whether materials could be sent electronically before the session so that those who still want to have hard copies at the session to make notes on can print them in advance. Taken under advisement.

2. They will be moving to a scheduling system more like 47 Sheppard by the summer, with full days devoted to either domestic or child protection and will increase the number of case management days each month.
3. I reported on our survey about summary judgement motions, and there was widespread agreement from counsel and the bench that the hours are woefully inadequate.
4. Usual discussion about difficulties in getting Orders back from the court in a timely fashion. Justice Pawagi has brought the practice of typing and printing endorsements right on the bench from Brampton and I inquired if that might spread to the rest of the bench here because it is very helpful to have legible endorsements immediately. She advised that she is working on a project to do one better and have e-orders, so counsel would bring a draft order to court and judge would alter it from the Bench. She asked if FLA would be interested in consultations on this, I said yes and gave her FLA e-mail.

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