

## 47 Sheppard Court Bench and Bar Meeting June 15, 2016

### 1. Family Court Office:

- a. Susan McNarty is the new manager of the Family Court Admin Office. She is also the accessibility coordinator and she is responsible for Small Claims Court.
- b. There is a lot of movement in the Family Staff. There is a new Client Service Rep, and there is a student in the office for the next 11 weeks.
- c. **At counter, the average wait is 40 to 45 minutes**
- d. **Child Protection Orders are processed in 30 days, Orders involving Self Reps are processed in 7 days**
- e. **Service fees are on hold.**

### 2. Transcripts – Process:

- a. Pick a Reporter on-line. Justice Spence said Angela will email us names of reporters that have sat in Family Court. When I followed up about this after meeting as I thought we could put these names on the FLA web-site, I was told they are not allowed to give out names. **I was emailed the following re the process, but this still doesn't help get a reporter that has been in Family Court:**

June Fraser asked that I email you the information **to order a transcript.**

**You go online and you are choosing a transcriptionist. You can narrow your search a bit by entering the location, i.e. Toronto 47 Sheppard, Ontario Court of Justice - this will give you a list of transcriptionists who have "enlisted" to type matters from this court. You can choose anyone from that list, when you click on their name it will give you their contact information. When you scroll down that page a bit you will find an order form which you complete as much as you can, email it to the transcriptionist you chose and you will deal directly and totally with the transcriptionist.**

**If you have any problems, you can phone the 1-800 number that is listed on the form.**

Regards,  
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- b. **Justice Spence said Reasons for Judgement should all be done in-house.**

**3. Mediation:**

- a. Judges will be receiving a report for the file outlining progress including any of the following: Confidential mediation attempted; Report re the success of mediation and attaching the Agreement reached; outlining the next steps; if client made an appointment but didn't show up.
- b. Off-site – Riverdale – Elizabeth – Mediations will be Tuesdays and Thursdays starting in July and they will be pre-booked or accommodated the day of, if space.

**4. Trials**

- a. **This year 47 Sheppard has had four trial sitting of two weeks each sitting plus 5 days added on in October 2016**
- b. **Trials will continue on consecutive days. Trial will keep going until finished. Curtis stated that the goal is to finish your trial in the allotted time.**
- c. **There is a gap of one week between 47 Sheppard and 311 Jarvis' trial sittings.**
- d. Curtis – In the last 18 months, 10 trials did not proceed, and 20 weeks of court time would have been lost. However 7 trials were scheduled using up 14 weeks, so they only lost 14 weeks of trial time

**5. OCL – Deborah Stewart**

- a. They have almost completed the empanelment process
- b. **Voice of the Child pilot project is under way – funding for 60 cases. 4 left at 47 Sheppard. Judge decides whether an Order should be made, but counsel can suggest Social Worker – meets with the child twice and writes report within 30 days as to child's views.**

**6. FLA - Anne Calpin**

- a. **FLA Social is going to be on September 22, 2016 and it is at Joey's downtown.**

**7. Events:**

- a. **FLA party September 22, 2016 at Joeys;**
  - b. **Holiday Party is on December 8, 2016 this year and it is at Maxies again;**
  - c. **Gerry Waldman Memorial October 13, 2016 from 5:30 to 7:30 at CAS offices on 30 Isabella St, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor. \$35 includes hors d'oeuvres. Two awards in her name – can put forth names – meaningful contribution to Domestic Bar and ADR ; and**
  - d. **47 Sheppard Education Committee has two events in the fall –**
    - i. **September 19, 2016, 4:30 to 6:30. Money – Honourable Justice Zisman;**
    - ii. **November 15, 2016, 4:30 to 6:30. Ethical Issues – Honourable Justice Sullivan.**
- 8. Next Bench and Bar for 47 Sheppard is September 27, 2016 at 8:30 am**