

**LEGAL AID MANITOBA
BIG CASE MANAGEMENT OPINION FORM
PRELIMINARY HEARING OR TRIAL PROCEEDINGS**

1) GENERAL MATTERS

a. Certificate Number _____

b. Client Name _____

c. Counsel Name _____

d. Charges _____

e. Names and Counsel _____
for co-accused _____

f. Name(s) of Crown Attorney(s) _____

g. Is it a retrial? Yes No

h. Project Name (if any) _____

**If yes, please include a copy of
Court of Appeal judgment and reasons**

i. Has the case had substantial coverage in the media? Yes No

j. Provide a description of your client's alleged involvement and the extent of the Crown's case against him/her:

k. Please indicate the degree to which evidence disclosed relates to your client:

l. Please provide a general description of your theory of defence:

Disclosure

a. List the volume and type of disclosure material (list all those which apply):

	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Content Type</u>
Hard copy pages	_____	_____
CD ROM Disks	_____	_____
DVD Disks	_____	_____
Videotapes	_____	_____
Transcripts	_____	_____
Expert Reports	_____	_____
Photographs/Video Surveillance	_____	_____
Other (please specify)		

b. Is disclosure complete? [] Yes [] No

c. Is a motion for disclosure likely before the preliminary hearing? [] Yes [] No Trial? [] Yes [] No

Witnesses

a. Total no. of potential police witnesses: _____ b. No. police witnesses to be called at trial: _____

c. Total no. of potential civilian witnesses: _____ d. No. civilian witnesses to be called at trial: _____

e. Is any expert evidence anticipated? [] Yes [] No

	<u>Area of Expertise</u>	<u>Rationale</u>
By the Crown	_____	_____
	_____	_____
	_____	_____
By the Defence	_____	_____
	_____	_____
	_____	_____
	_____	_____

Counsel

a. Preparation time expended by counsel to date: _____ hrs

b. Request for Junior Counsel [] Yes [] No Junior Counsel/Student Name _____

Reason for junior counsel:

c. Preparation time estimates	Senior Counsel	Junior Counsel
1. Preliminary Hearing (in hrs)	_____	_____
2. Trial (in hrs)	_____	_____

d. Number of days set for pre-trial motions? _____ days

Disbursements

<u>Estimated Disbursement Costs</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Rationale</u>
Private Investigators	_____	_____ _____ _____
Expert Witnesses	_____	_____ _____ _____
Expert witness reports	_____	_____ _____ _____
Other	_____	_____ _____ _____
Total estimated disbursement costs	_____	

