

**LEGAL AID MANITOBA  
BIG CASE MANAGEMENT OPINION FORM**

**1) GENERAL MATTERS**

a. Certificate Number: _____	b. Date Form Completed: _____
c. Client Name: _____	d. Counsel Name: _____
e. Charges: _____ _____	
f. Names and Counsel for co-accused: _____ _____	
g. Name(s) of Crown Attorney(s): _____ _____	
h. Is it a retrial? [ ] Yes [ ] No i. Project Name (if any): _____	
<b>If yes, please include a copy of previous judgment(s) and reasons.</b>	
j. Has the case had substantial coverage in the media? [ ] Yes [ ] No	
k. Provide a description of the Crown's allegations respecting your client's involvement in the offence(s): _____ _____ _____ _____	
l. Please indicate the significant evidence that implicates your client in the offence(s): _____ _____ _____ _____	
m. Please provide a general description of your client's position / theory of defence: _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____	

**2) JUDICIAL INTERIM RELEASE**

a. Date of arrest/apprehension: _____	b. Is the accused in custody? [ ] Yes [ ] No
c. Has a bail been done?      Yes      No	d. Is the accused detained in custody with respect to any other matters?      Yes      No
<b>Matter(s)</b>	<b>ERD / WED</b>
_____ _____	_____ _____

**3) JUNIOR COUNSEL**

a. Request for Junior Counsel: [ ] Yes [ ] No    b. Junior Counsel Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Junior Counsel Tasks:**  
*(List tasks which will be assigned)*

Task: \_\_\_\_\_

Task: \_\_\_\_\_

Task: \_\_\_\_\_

Task: \_\_\_\_\_

Task: \_\_\_\_\_

Task: \_\_\_\_\_

c. Junior Counsel Court Attendance Required: \_\_\_\_\_ days

**4) PROCEDURAL INFORMATION  
Preliminary Hearing / Trial Budget**

a. Preparation time expended by Senior Counsel to date: \_\_\_\_\_ hours

b. Number of days set for pre-trial motions: \_\_\_\_\_ days

c. Have judicial pre-trials been scheduled or already held? [ ] Yes [ ] No    d. If yes, how many? \_\_\_\_\_

	<b>Preliminary Hearing</b>	<b>Trial</b>
e. Number of days set (in court days):	_____	_____
<i>Please list actual dates:</i>	_____	_____

f. Direct Indictment?    Yes    No

g. Has the preliminary hearing already been completed? [ ] Yes [ ] No

h. Outcome:  
accused ordered to stand trial in respect of the offence charged in the information **OR**  
accused ordered to stand trial in respect of another or additional indictable offence with respect to the same information.

**Disclosure**

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

	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Content Type</b>
<b>Hard copy pages</b>	_____	_____
<b>CD ROM Disks</b>	_____	_____
<b>DVD Disks</b>	_____	_____
<b>Videotapes</b>	_____	_____
<b>Transcripts</b>	_____	_____
<b>Expert Reports</b>	_____	_____
<b>Photographs/Video</b>	_____	_____
<b>Surveillance</b>	_____	_____

Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Is disclosure substantially complete? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Is a motion for disclosure needed? [ ] Yes [ ] No

**Witnesses**

a. Number of police witnesses: _____	b. Police witnesses to be called at preliminary hearing / trial: _____	
c. Number of civilian witnesses: _____	d. Civilian witnesses to be called at preliminary hearing / trial: _____	
e. Is any expert evidence anticipated in this case? [ ] Yes [ ] No		
	<b>Area of Expertise</b>	<b>Rationale</b>
By the Crown	_____	_____
	_____	_____
	_____	_____
By the Defence	_____	_____
	_____	_____
	_____	_____
	_____	_____

**Issue of Fitness**

a. Is any issue of mental capacity likely to be raised? [ ] Yes [ ] No
b. If yes, by whom:    The Prosecutor    The Defence
c. Hearing anticipated respecting:    fitness to stand trial    NCR

**Disbursements**

<b>Estimated Disbursement Costs</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Rationale</b>
Private Investigator	_____	_____
		_____
Expert Witness report	_____	_____
		_____
Expert Witness	_____	_____
		_____
Other	_____	_____
		_____
Total estimated disbursement costs: _____		

**5) EVIDENTIARY MOTIONS**

**Motion(s) to Exclude Evidence**

Will counsel file a formal motion to exclude evidence? [ ] Yes [ ] No    If yes, please list reason(s) counsel is seeking to have evidence excluded:	
<b>Motion</b>	<b>Rationale</b>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

