

Cour fédérale

NOTICE TO THE PARTIES AND THE PROFESSION GOWNING FOR COUNSEL February 6, 2017

Gowning Requirement and Exceptions

Unless the presiding judge or prothonotary otherwise directs, counsel are required to gown for all hearings except the following:

- a) hearings on any motion other than for summary judgment, summary trial, or contempt;
- b) case management conferences;
- c) dispute resolution or settlement conferences;
- d) pre-trial conferences;
- e) trial management conferences.

For the exceptions listed in paragraphs (a) to (e) above, counsel are required to wear business attire.

Accommodation

To ensure that counsel are at ease at times when accommodation is required (for example, during pregnancy), the Court will accommodate reasonable alternative attire. Such alternative attire should be dark or neutral in colour and in keeping with Court decorum. Counsel may, before the opening of Court, advise the Court registrar that they are in modified attire in accordance with this Notice to the Profession.

Paul Crampton
Chief Justice