Canadian Court Updates

Alberta – Court sittings closed for everything not urgent/emergency: https://www.albertacourts.ca/qb/resources/announcements/covid-19-suspension-of-sittings

 Limitation periods not suspended: https://www.albertacourts.ca/docs/default-source/qb/master-order-2---covid-19-final.pdf?sfvrsn=fde08680_1

All filing deadlines under the Alberta Rules of Court, including Rule 13.41(4) are suspended until May 1, 2020, with the exception of those Rules applicable to the commencement of proceedings, including originating applications.

British Columbia - Court sittings closed for everything not urgent/emergency:

https://www.bccourts.ca/supreme_court/documents/Notice%20of%20Suspension%20of%20Civil%20and%20Family%20Proceedings%20-%20March%2018,%202020.pdf

- · Limitation periods not suspended
- Filing deadlines are suspended (aside from originating applications / limitation periods)

Manitoba- Courts closed for everything not urgent/emergency:

http://manitobacourts.mb.ca/news/covid-19-update-march-16-2020/;

http://www.manitobacourts.mb.ca/site/assets/files/1964/notice_on_filing_deadlines.pdf

Limitation periods not suspended

New Brunswick – Court sittings closed for everything not urgent/emergency: https://www.courtsnb-coursnb.ca/content/dam/courts/pdf/NB-Courts.pdf

• No comments on limitation periods (assume they are **not** suspended)

Newfoundland - Court sittings closed for everything not urgent/emergency:

https://court.nl.ca/supreme/pdf/2020%2003%2020%20-

%20Notice%20to%20the%20Profession%20and%20General%20Public%20-%20COVID-19%20Preventative%20Measures.pdf

· Limitation periods not suspended

Northwest Territories - proceedings to proceed by phone:

https://sasklawcourts.ca/index.php/home/court-of-queen-s-bench/covid-19-update

Limitation periods not suspended

Nova Scotia – Court sittings closed for everything not urgent/emergency: https://www.courts.ns.ca/documents/COVID-19_Measures_NR_03_16_20.pdf and https://www.courts.ns.ca/

• Limitation periods not suspended

Nunavut – Court sittings closed for everything not urgent/emergency, everything that is proceeding will be by phone: https://court.nl.ca/supreme/pdf/2020%2003%2018%20-%20Notice%20to%20the%20Profession%20-%20COVID-19%20Preventative%20Measures.pdf

• Limitation periods not suspended

Ontario - Court sittings closed for everything not urgent/emergency:

https://www.ontariocourts.ca/scj/covid-19-suspension-fam/;

https://lawsocietyontario.azureedge.net/media/lso/media/news-events/emcpa-order-eng.pdf



• Limitation periods are suspended

Prince Edward Island – Court sittings closed for everything not urgent/emergency: https://www.courts.pe.ca/sites/www.courts.pe.ca/files/2020-03/COVID%2019%20-%20UPDATE%20MARCH%2018%2C%202020.pdf

• Limitation periods not suspended

Quebec – Court sittings closed for everything not urgent/emergency: https://www.barreau.qc.ca/media/2245/communique-acce-s-2020-03-15-vf.pdf

• Limitation periods are suspended

Saskatchewan - proceedings to proceed by phone and parties are "encouraged to adjourn anything not urgent": https://sasklawcourts.ca/index.php/home/court-of-queen-s-bench/covid-19-update

• Limitation periods **not** suspended

Yukon - proceedings to proceed by phone: http://www.yukoncourts.ca/pdf/SC_Notice_-_Covid-19.pdf

• Limitation periods **not** suspended

