

Message from Deputy Chief Judge Allan Lefever Court Case Management Program

I'm pleased to deliver my second official message to the Provincial Court of Alberta Court Case Management (CCM) program team.

I know you've all been busy since my first message in early January. In addition to your regular duties, many of you have been contributing greatly to the progress of the CCM Program. Please accept my many thanks for your interest and effort to date and for your ongoing commitment to this critical undertaking.

As you know, we've spent the past six months speaking with each of the affected stakeholder groups and listening to their valuable input. It's been an extremely thorough and worthwhile exercise. We've been impressed with the thoughtful insight that can only be gleaned from those working in each area of our justice system. You've helped weed out ideas that would not have worked, and you've initiated concepts that we hadn't originally thought of. Your feedback has led to the development of the recommendations necessary to move on to the next phase of the project.

As we enter into summer, we will not lose momentum on the project. These warmer months will be busily spent on systems development – the File Ownership and Court Scheduling components, and on procurement – getting the people and equipment we need in place to turn this vision into a reality. In other words, the planning stage of the CCM Program is complete...now it's time to get things done for the February 2010 implementation.

I hope you've been reading and benefitting from the monthly CCM newsletter. Each edition gives an update on our progress and provides notification of important upcoming dates and events. As I've said before, I encourage everyone – from front line staff to senior executive – to ask questions and provide input to the project. You can view the newsletters, read the recommendations and provide input online at www.albertacourts.ab.ca/ccm. You can also speak with your supervisors or your Provincial Implementation Committee representative listed below.

Thank you again for your hard work and enthusiasm as we work towards a stronger, more effective criminal justice system for Albertans.

Yours very truly,

Allan Lefever
Deputy Chief Judge, Provincial Court of Alberta

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