

Federal Court of Appeal



**Cour d'appel fédérale
Court Martial Appeal Court of Canada**



Cour d'appel de la cour martiale du Canada

Federal Court



**Cour fédérale
Tax Court of Canada**



Cour canadienne de l'impôt

March 20, 2017

Ms. Nalini Vaddapalli
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Dear Ms. Vaddapalli:

We would like to advise you of forthcoming changes to the security measures in place at each of our Courts and how this will affect your members.

The Courts Administration Service (CAS) is implementing a number of physical security enhancements intended to ensure that our Courts remain a secure environment for members of the Courts, court users, employees and the public in attendance. While the majority of these measures will be imperceptible to court users, security screening of visitors and their belongings in CAS locations will affect all those who access court facilities.

We hereby ask you to advise your members that CAS is installing new security screening equipment in all its locations across the country over the coming months. In addition, effective March 27, 2017, members of the Bar and their belongings will be subject to security screening prior to having access to the Courts. We also recommend that lawyers apprise their clients of these requirements so that they can plan their arrival at Court accordingly. Details of the processes and a comprehensive list of items prohibited in the Courts will be available on the Courts and CAS websites.

We are confident that CAS will, on our behalf, continue to introduce effective and efficient security measures while upholding the basic principle of access to justice. We are convinced that each of our Courts will be best served through an appropriate, robust and consistent security program that ensures an adequate level of protection.

Should you have any questions regarding the forthcoming security screening activities and related procedures, CAS Security Services would be pleased to provide further information. You may contact them by email at Support-Security@cas-satj.gc.ca or by phone at 1-866-556-2359.

Sincerely,




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Chief Justice
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