



## FAMILY LAW PROCEEDINGS IN ANNAPOLIS ROYAL

**Thursday, Dec. 8, 2022**

Effective Jan. 1, 2023, documents for all new family law proceedings that would fall within Annapolis County should be filed at the Annapolis Royal courthouse at 377 Saint George Street in Annapolis Royal.

Please note that the Annapolis Royal courthouse is closed on Thursdays and Fridays. On those days, documents for family law proceedings can be filed at the courthouses in Yarmouth, Digby, Kentville or another location convenient for counsel or the parties. Court staff will then forward those documents to the courthouse in Annapolis Royal.

Family law matters opened in Annapolis Royal would presumptively have their initial appearance scheduled in that courthouse. At the time of filing, or at any time thereafter:

- a) a party can make a motion pursuant to Civil Procedure Rule 59.03(2) to have the matter moved to a substantially more convenient court; or
- b) the presiding judge can direct that the proceeding start in or be transferred to a more convenient court (for example, if upon initial review, it is evident the proceeding could be more economically managed elsewhere).

If you have questions or need assistance with filing, please contact the Court Administration staff in Yarmouth, Digby or Kentville. Contact information for all courthouses is available online at [https://www.courts.ns.ca/Courthouse\\_Locations/Courthouse\\_Locations\\_Map.htm](https://www.courts.ns.ca/Courthouse_Locations/Courthouse_Locations_Map.htm).

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