

Protocol to Move Files off the Virtual Bail Lists in the Fraser Region

- The **Have a Judge/Need a Judge** (“HAJ/NAJ”) process will be utilized to deal with the movement of files out of the Fraser Region Hybrid Virtual Bail courtrooms. This process is used across the province when courtrooms and judges become available to assist other courtrooms, including virtual bail courtrooms.
- The Bail JCM is the only JCM who will have the ability to move files and will do so in communication with the Sheriff Quarterback and the local JCM in the location where the Bail JCM is going to move the files.
- The Sheriff QB is responsible for liaising with remand centres, local sheriffs, or police cells as necessary to facilitate video appearance of the accused in the new courtroom.
- The Bail JCM will provide the morning triaged list to the judge and the judge should only communicate with the Bail JCM about a need to move a file out of the virtual bail court due to a lack of court time.
- Crown needs to communicate with the Bail JCM anytime during the day if it is apparent there is not enough court time to hear all scheduled matters and provide the Bail JCM with details regarding which files are portable, time estimates, and the names of the responsible Crown and Defence/Duty Counsel.