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The OCJ just issued the following updated OCJ Criminal Notices:

Criminal Notice and Practice Direction Update (August 12, 2020):

On Monday August 17, 2020, the Court will begin scheduling out-of-custody cases adjourned due to COVID-19 in all court locations. In addition, the Court has revised the Trial / Preliminary Inquiry Scheduling Form that is used to schedule hearings. For more information, see Update regarding the [Scheduling of Criminal Trials and Preliminary Inquiries](#)

The Court has issued a Practice Direction setting out a procedure for accused persons who are in custody to waive their right to appear personally before the Court and request to have their matter adjourned in their absence, by instructing defence counsel to complete and file a Waiver and Request for Adjournment / Remand in Accused Person's Absence" form on their behalf. See: [Waiver of Personal Attendance and Request for Adjournment / Remand by Accused Persons in Custody](#)