
MEDIA ADVISORY

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Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General
Coroners Service

CORONER'S INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF CECIL EDWARD McKENNA

VANCOUVER– The inquest into the death of Cecil Edward McKenna has been scheduled. On Oct. 27, 2007, Mr. McKenna was detained by police and transported to the Surrey RCMP detachment. He was later discovered unresponsive in cells. The death was confirmed by emergency medical services at the scene.

The inquest is scheduled for Nov. 19-21, 2008. Presiding coroner Tonia Grace and a jury will publicly hear evidence from subpoenaed witnesses in order to determine the facts surrounding the death. The jury will have the opportunity to make recommendations aimed at preventing deaths under similar circumstances in the future.

Date: Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2008

Time: 9:30 a.m.

**Location: Coroners Courtroom
20th Floor
4720 Kingsway
Burnaby**

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An inquest is a formal court proceeding that allows for public presentation of all evidence relating to a death. The BC Coroners Service is an independent fact-finding agency that may not make any finding of legal responsibility.

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