
MEDIA ADVISORY

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Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General
Coroners Service

CORONER'S INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF CANDICE PETE

VANCOUVER – The inquest into the death of Candice Pete has been rescheduled. On Jan. 5, 2006, Ms. Pete was in police custody at the Vancouver Jail when she went into medical distress. Emergency medical services attended and transported her to St. Paul's Hospital where, despite medical attention, she died on Jan. 9, 2006.

The inquest is rescheduled for Oct. 7-9, 2008. Presiding coroner Owen Court 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: Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2008

Time: 9:30 a.m.

**Location: Coroners Courtroom
Metro Tower II
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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