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## MEDIA ADVISORY

Sept. 24, 2008

Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General  
Coroners Service

### **CORONER'S INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF LARRY McPHERSON**

FORT ST. JOHN – The inquest into the death of Larry Lee McPherson has been scheduled. On Aug. 28, 2007, Mr. McPherson was in the custody of Fort St. John RCMP when he went into medical distress. Emergency medical services attended and transported him to Fort St. John General Hospital where, despite medical attention, he died.

The inquest is scheduled for Oct. 22-24, 2008. Presiding coroner Shane DeMeyer 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, Oct. 22, 2008**

**Time: 11 a.m.**

**Location: BC Supreme Court  
10600 – 100 Street  
Fort St. John**

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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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