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Inquest scheduled into death of Nicolas Allan Jeppesen

VICTORIA – The BC Coroners Service has scheduled an inquest into the death of Nicolas Allan Jeppesen, beginning on Aug. 30, 2021.

The inquest will take place in Terrace at the Terrace Sportsplex, 3320 Kalum St.

The death of Jeppesen, 29, was reported to the BC Coroners Service on Aug. 18, 2016, following a police-involved incident in Terrace.

Under Section 18(2) of the Coroners Act, inquests are mandatory for any deaths that occur while a person was detained by or in the custody of a peace officer.

Susan Barth, presiding coroner, and a jury will hear evidence from witnesses under oath to determine the facts surrounding this death. The jury will have the opportunity to make recommendations aimed at preventing deaths under similar circumstances. A jury must not make any finding of legal responsibility or express any conclusion of law.

An inquest is a formal process that allows public presentation of evidence relating to a death. The jury will certify the identity of the deceased and how, where, when and by what means the death occurred. The jury may also make recommendations about any matter arising out of the inquest. For more information about inquests,

visit: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/life-events/death/coroners-service/inquest-schedule-jury-findings-verdicts>

The BC Coroners Service looks to gather the facts surrounding why a death took place. It is not a fault-finding agency. It provides an independent service to the family, community, government agencies and other organizations.

Livestreaming provides a way for the public and media to virtually attend an inquest when COVID-19 measures prevent physical attendance. The same rules apply as for in-person attendance at an inquest. Reproduction, broadcasting and publishing, including through social media, of the BC Coroners Service's live video stream and its content is prohibited. For more information, visit: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/life-events/death/coroners-service/inquest-schedule-jury-findings-verdicts/inquestlivestream>

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