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MEMORANDUM

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FROM: Katie Wood
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RE: **Expansion of the Digital Information and Repository (DIR)
Solution in the Northeast and Northwest Regions**

I am pleased to advise that the **Digital Information and Repository (DIR)** solution will be expanded to Ontario Court of Justice (OCJ) criminal court locations across the Northeast and Northwest Regions in March 2026.

What does the Digital Information and Repository do?

The DIR supports the move to electronic criminal Informations. These digital documents can be endorsed, retrieved, and shared electronically. The DIR stores all Informations, in a document repository hosted in the cloud, enabling users to access them quickly and easily. The solution also enables Court Services Division (CSD) staff to upload documents and associate them to the Information.

How will the implementation of the DIR impact defence counsel?

Subsequent to the implementation of the DIR, defence counsel may request and obtain a copy of the Information via email. While the substantive content of the Information remains unchanged, its format has been updated through digitization: digital Informations will eliminate handwritten fields, making them easier to read.

The solution will reduce the number of replacement Informations that need to be sworn due to misplaced or lost original documents and will significantly decrease the time required to retrieve Informations from other Ontario Court of Justice courthouses where DIR is available.

Why is the DIR being implemented in the North Region?

The DIR was first implemented in Toronto in 2023. After gathering user feedback and learning from hands-on experience, several improvements were made to boost functionality and user-friendliness. With these updates now in effect, expansion to the North is possible.

For more information about this product, please contact Vaia Pappas (Vaia.Pappas@ontario.ca), Director, or Joe DiPietro (Joe.DiPietro@ontario.ca), Senior Manager with the Operational Support Branch, Court Services Division.

Thank you,



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