



COURT OF APPEAL OF QUEBEC

October 21, 2014

New form
Files in criminal matters alleging the professional incompetence of trial counsel

NOTICE

As of October 21, 2014, when a Notice of Appeal or a Motion for Leave to Appeal alleges, explicitly or implicitly, the professional incompetence of trial counsel, the parties must complete the "*Form for the Management of an Appeal Alleging the Incompetence of Trial Counsel*".

This form must be completed and filed within the time limit specified at the bottom of the first page, otherwise proceedings may be suspended pending the filing of the form. It goes without saying that parties and counsel involved must also meet the requirements of Article 26 of the *Rules of the Court of Appeal of Quebec in Criminal Matters*, the text of which is annexed to the form.

The form is available in both French and English on the Court of Appeal website.

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