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Series on Domestic Violence Courts starts today - B.C. Provincial Court eNews

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Today's **eNews** introduces a three-part series on the province's domestic violence courts. In B.C. two domestic violence courts have been developed by judges and community organizations. As local initiatives, they reflect their communities' needs and resources. The series will outline in some detail how these domestic violence courts work. It will also describe a related trial scheduling initiative.

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Domestic Violence Courts - Part 1: Cowichan Valley

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Domestic Violence Courts – Part 2: Nanaimo

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Domestic Violence Courts – Part 3: Trial Scheduling Initiative in Kelowna and Penticton

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