

**KING COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF EXECUTIVE SERVICES  
INQUEST PROGRAM**

INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF  
MITCHELL NELSON  
INQUEST # 18IQ0785

PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE ORDER FOR JUNE 1, 2023

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Family of the decedent:	The Family of Mitchell Nelson represented by Deborah Alexander (Family not present at hearing)
Law enforcement officers:	Corporal Robert Riggles represented by Thomas Miller (Corporal Riggles not present at hearing)
Employing government department:	The City of Federal Way represented by Thomas Miller
Inquest Administrator:	Julia Garratt
Inquest Program Attorney:	Cady Nicol
Inquest Program Coordinators:	Florence Armah and Kaela Reilly

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Having held a Pre-Hearing Conference on the date noted above, Inquest Administrator (IA) Garratt hereby orders the following:

Schedule

The parties should provide any comments or suggested edits to the proposed opening jury instructions, closing jury instructions, and jury questionnaire on ShareFile by **5:00 PM on Friday, June 23, 2023**.

The Inquest Program will coordinate with the parties to provide a proposed policy scope and training scope, and set a deadline for party input, after relevant discovery has been received.

The parties must make any request for an expert witness to testify at the Inquest Hearing by **5:00 PM on Friday, July 7, 2023**. Requests must include the expert's name, a CV or explanation of

the expert's qualifications, and either a report or a comprehensive summary of any opinions the expert intends to offer. The Family should also identify any of Mitchell Nelson's family members that wish to testify at the Inquest Hearing by this date and provide a summary of their proposed testimony.

The next Pre-Hearing Conference will be set for **Wednesday, July 12, 2023 at 9:00 AM**. At that Pre-Hearing Conference, we will address the any revisions to the factual scope & witness list (including finalizing the witness list), the policy scope, the training scope, the opening jury instructions, the closing jury instructions, and the jury questionnaire.

The Inquest Administrator will circulate proposed interrogatories and an exhibit list. The parties should provide any input by **5:00 PM on Friday, July 28, 2023**. Any motions in limine should also be noted by that date. The parties will have until **5:00 PM on Thursday, August 3, 2023** to provide any additional input on the other party's suggested motions in limine.

A Pre-Hearing Conference will be held on **Friday, August 4, 2023 at 9:00 AM** to address the interrogatories, exhibit list, and any motions in limine.

A Pre-Hearing Conference will be held on **Thursday, August 10, 2023 at 9:00 AM** to address jury selection and any remaining issues.

The Inquest Hearing will begin on **Monday, August 14, 2023**.

An updated schedule will be posted on ShareFile.

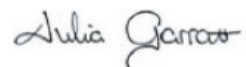
#### Factual Scope and Witness List

Based on discussion at the Pre-Hearing Conference, Sergeant Gordon will be added to the proposed Factual Scope & Witness List. Sergeant Leavengood will remain on the proposed Factual Scope & Witness List. The Inquest Program Attorney will coordinate with the parties to discuss whether and how we can reduce any potentially cumulative witnesses.

Based on discussion at the Pre-Hearing Conference, Glenn Whitton will be added to the witness list, and Julie Hocking will be removed from the witness list.

After additional consideration, the toxicology results will be excluded.

Dated: June 2, 2023



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Inquest Administrator Julia Garratt