Taxation Directions Hearing on 9 February 2021

Commencing at 9.30am By Zoom

Dear Practitioners/Parties;

The Costs Court Taxation Directions Hearing will be conducted on 9 February 2021 before Judicial Registrar Gourlay via Zoom. For the foreseeable future all Directions Hearings will be conducted using Zoom until the Costs Court can return Court listed hearings.

Consent orders:

In order to manage the risks associated with COVID-19 where ever possible all parties, are expected to provide consent minutes as soon as possible, but no later than 2.00 pm on Thursday prior to the hearing date.

Subject to compliance with the <u>Costs Court Notice of Temporary Changes to Practice Note (see below)</u>, parties are expected to confer for the purpose of reaching agreement and provide consent minutes dealing with the upcoming hearing. Consent orders must be received in signed PDF and Word versions.

Callover Hearings:

In the event the parties cannot reach agreement and a party wishes to proceed with the scheduled Directions Hearing notwithstanding the above, please provide an explanation as to the urgency of the hearing, including your proposed orders and any submissions you wish to rely on by **2.00pm on Friday prior to the hearing date**. The Court will then consider the material and advise whether the hearing will proceed, whether it will be adjourned or whether the issue in dispute can be determined on the papers.

In the event a hearing is required, hearing times will be staggered and will be conducted via **an online platform**. Each appearing party must provide by **4.00pm on Friday prior to the Callover date** with the name of the individual appearing, <u>their email address</u> and <u>contact phone number</u>.

Please check the usual distributed list and any meeting invites for the time allocated for matter.

Revised Costs Court Practice Note and Draft Orders:

The revised <u>Costs Court Notice of Temporary Changes to Practice Note</u> which commenced on 1 April 2020. All parties are expected to comply with this Notice.

In addition the Court has published <u>Guidance for civil proceedings affected by coronavirus</u> and <u>Information about Virtual Hearings at the Court</u> All Practitioners and Parties should familiarise themselves with these publications.

Email:

In the first instance, all correspondence with the Court in relation to all Costs Court Directions Hearing matters must be directed to wood.associate@supcourt.vic.gov.au.

Please inform any other interested parties.

Kind regards,

Associate

Part A: New summons for taxation

No.	File No.	Plaintiff	Defendant
1.	S ECI 2020 4387	Thexton Lawyers Pty Ltd	Thomson Geer Lawyers
	9.30 am		
2.	S ECI 2020 4426	Slater & Gordon	Donnelly, S
	9.40 am		
3.	S ECI 2020 4496	Beeta, V	A Abrahams & Ors Trading as Lander
	9.50 am		& Rogers
4.	S ECI 2020 4632	Ruth Baig (by her	Paradalis, S
	10.00 am	Administrator Suzanne Mary	
		Lyttleton)	
5.	S ECI 2020 4640	Baker, RA & Ors	Rickards Legal
	10.10 am		
6.	S ECI 2020 4788	Ditrich, RS & Ors	Chandab, O & Ors
	10.20 am		

Late entries

No.	File No.	Plaintiff	Defendant
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Part B: Review, for mention, adjournments

No.	File No.	Plaintiff	Defendant
7.	S ECI 2019 3297	PBP Lawyers	Beard, K
	10.30 am		
8.	S ECI 2020 2209	Sanaya Sheppherd (a	Keogh, E
	10.40 am	pseudonym)	
9.	S ECI 2020 2282	MA&J Tripodi Pty Ltd	Swan Hill Chemicals Pty Ltd
	10.50 am		
10.	S ECI 2020 3199	Pitt, MT	Johnson, PW
	11.00 am		
11.	S ECI 2020 3310	Vascular Imaging Corporation	Velos, J
	11.10 am	Pty Ltd	
12.	S ECI 2020 4027	Ramani, N & Ors	DML Legal Pty Ltd T/as De Marco
	11.20 am		Lawyers