**Costs Court Taxation Directions Hearing on 4 May 2021**

**Commencing at 9.30am By Zoom**

Dear Practitioners/Parties;

The Costs Court Taxation Directions Hearing will be conducted on 4 May 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 Costs Court Notice of Temporary Changes to Practice Note (see below), 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.

**Directions 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 Directions date** with the name of the individual appearing, their email address and contact phone number.

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 [Costs Court Notice of Temporary Changes to Practice Note](https://www.supremecourt.vic.gov.au/law-and-practice/practice-notes/notice-to-the-profession-advice-on-temporary-changes-to-costs-court) which commenced on 1 April 2020. All parties are expected to comply with this Notice.

In addition the Court has published [Guidance for civil proceedings affected by coronavirus](https://aus01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.supremecourt.vic.gov.au%2Fnews%2Fguidance-for-civil-proceedings-affected-by-coronavirus&data=02%7C01%7Cmcg%40supcourt.vic.gov.au%7C2d5f1fc546a1458a94a608d7e10c0271%7C20b1d71855194e79b28f550c3bae40f6%7C0%7C0%7C637225314004505951&sdata=iFMxMWjSpMgOFXWpBvCF33hYuqYgOJtJdXucq5otKuA%3D&reserved=0) and [Information about Virtual Hearings at the Court](https://aus01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.supremecourt.vic.gov.au%2Flaw-and-practice%2Fvirtual-hearings&data=02%7C01%7Cmcg%40supcourt.vic.gov.au%7C2d5f1fc546a1458a94a608d7e10c0271%7C20b1d71855194e79b28f550c3bae40f6%7C0%7C0%7C637225314004515943&sdata=YG7kQHDYSIRAIGVhc3wWYHfpYuLxeVaqMi%2F1rjah8GA%3D&reserved=0) 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 and nigel.cooper@supcourt.vic.gov.au

Please inform any other interested parties.

Kind regards,

Associate

**Part A: New matters for taxation**

| **No.** | **File No.** |  **Plaintiff** |  **Defendant** |
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|  | S ECI 2021 01199 | John Lyng Insurance Building Solutions Pty Ltd | Pro Install Electrical Pty Ltd |
|  | S ECI 2021 01147, 01148, 01149, 01150, 01151, 01153 | Robert Murch and Robin Kissel | Paul, Sharlene and Susan Annesley |
|  | S ECI 2021 01086 | WMB Lawyers | John Tobias Tucker |
|  | S ECI 2021 00816 | Vicprop OC Pty Ltd atf Vicprop OC Unit Trust (t/as Melb OC) | HWL Ebsworth Lawyers |
|  | S ECI 2021 00753 | Adrian Ingaliso | Persons Lawyers |
|  | S ECI 2021 00679 | Margalit Injury Lawyers | Glenn Hodge |
|  | S ECI 2021 00663 | Alan Adams | Peter Rankin |
|  | S ECI 2021 00561 | Nicole Burns | Henry Carus & Associates |
|  | S ECI 2021 00558 | Daniel Isaac | Manuel Puyol (atf the Manual Puyol Family Trust) |
|  | S ECI 2021 00412 | Andrew Reginald Yeo in his capacity as liquidator of Lonnex Pty Ltd (in liq.) | WMB Lawyers |
|  | S ECI 2021 00271 | Rosaria Corbisiero | Northcote Lawyers |
|  | S ECI 2021 00116 | Piper Alderman (Sydney) | Karma Systems Pty Ltd & Andrew Donaghey |

**Late entries**

| **No.** | **File No.** |  **Plaintiff** |  **Defendant** |
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**Part B: Adjournments, mentions and other matters**

| **No.** | **File No.** |  **Plaintiff** |  **Defendant** |
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|  | S ECI 2021 00477 | Chiropractic Board of Australia | Malcom Hooper |
|  | S ECI 2020 03818 | Betty Twumwaa Jones | MGA Lawyers |
|  | S ECI 2020 03454 | Eventus Lawyers Pty Ltd | Kathryn Lee Richens |
|  | S ECI 2020 03317 | H.D. Jenkins & Sons Pty Ltd & ors | Leonie Kelleher & ors |
|  | S ECI 2019 03297 | PBP Lawyers | Kathleen Beard |
|  | S ECI 2019 01314 | Jennifer Bennett (a pseudonym) | Farrer Gesini Dunn |
|  | S CI 2015 04516 | Brand Partners Commercial Lawyers | Greater Shepparton City Council |