

# DISTRICT COURT OF QUEENSLAND

## PRACTICE DIRECTION No. 3 of 2004

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### RECORDING DEVICES IN COURTROOMS: DISTRICT COURT

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1. Except with permission of the presiding Judge (and save, obviously, for recording by officers of the State Reporting Bureau under the *Recording of Evidence Act 1962*), any device capable of capturing or transmitting the proceedings of the court, aurally and/or visually, is not to be used for that purpose in a court room where proceedings are being conducted.
2. In the event of breach, the bailiff is hereby authorized to take possession of the device and delete any recording, should the Judge require that.
3. Mobile phones, laptop computers, personal digital assistants and similar devices are to be switched off or muted throughout court proceedings, so that calls, alerts or alarms do not interrupt the proceedings. Should such a device interrupt proceedings, the bailiff is hereby authorized to take possession of the device, should the presiding Judge require that.

**P.M.Wolfe**  
**Chief Judge**  
9 March 2004