

Magistrates Court Practice Directions - No. 2 of 2000

Uniform Civil Procedure Rules 1999

Especially with a view to reducing the cost of litigation, it is accepted as generally desirable that sufficiently informed articulated clerks be heard from time to time upon the hearing of applications, particularly where the matter is not contentious.

Articled clerks who seek to be heard as such should inform the Magistrate of that circumstance, and it will then fall to the Magistrate to determine whether there is any reason not to hear the articulated clerk in the particular case.

The former practice relating to the "chambers certificate", and the maintenance by the Registrar of the list contemplated by the previously applicable O 65 r 11, no longer apply.

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CHIEF STIPENDIARY MAGISTRATE
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