Amended Practice Direction 3 of 2021

COVID-19

- 1. In light of the greater prospect of community transmission of the COVID-19 virus with the opening of the state borders in December 2021, this direction is aimed at ensuring that the Courts, as an essential service, continue to provide access to justice while ensuring the health and safety of all participants.
- 2. Any practitioner or unrepresented party who is not fully vaccinated (i.e., not had two doses of a COVID-19 vaccine recognised by the Therapeutic Goods Administration) or is aware that a client, witness they propose to call or other person attending court with them is not fully vaccinated should:
 - notify the Land Court of that fact at least 24 hours prior to attending the court building by email at Landcourt@justice.qld.gov.au or phone (07) 3738 7199; and
 - ensure that the person not fully vaccinated is made aware of the content of this practice direction.

Early notification to the relevant registry will permit the court to give proper consideration to any necessary alternative arrangements.

- 3. All persons not fully vaccinated and entering a court building must wear a face mask at all times while in the court building, other than when speaking in court.
- 4. All persons entering a court building should:
 - check in when entering the court building and again before entering individual courtrooms which have separate QR codes, using the 'Check in Queensland App';
 - practise safe distancing.

President FY Kingham
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