## **Magistrates Courts**

## **Practice Direction No. 11 of 2023**

Issued: 17 December 2023

Temporary closure of Cooktown, Innisfail, and Mossman registries

Rule 976 of the Uniform Civil Procedure Rules 1999 provides that:

- (1) The Registry must be open between 8:30am and 4.30pm on each day other than a Saturday, Sunday or court holiday.
- (2) However, the court or the registrar may direct that the registry is to be opened or closed at other times.

In light of the severe weather and related flooding following Tropical Cyclone Jasper, for the purposes of that rule I direct that the offices of the Cooktown, Innisfail and Mossman Magistrates Court Registries will be closed from Monday 18 December 2023 until the issue of a further Practice Direction.

Anthony Gett
Acting Chief Magistrate
17 December 2023