

**PRACTICE DIRECTION
NO. 7 OF 2000**

**OPENING AND CLOSING PROCEEDINGS IN THE
SUPREME COURT**

1. The Judges have resolved that the forms of proclamations made in the opening and closing of Supreme Court proceedings should be altered to reflect contemporary practices and modern language usage.
2. The following proclamations will henceforth be used in the Court of Appeal:
 - (a) OPENING

<i>Preliminary announcement</i>	Silence. All rise.
<i>When Judges are seated</i>	The Court of Appeal is in session. Please be seated.
 - (b) ADJOURNMENT

	Silence. All rise. The Court is adjourned [until]
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 - (c) ON RESUMPTION AFTER SHORT ADJOURNMENT

<i>Preliminary announcement</i>	Silence. All rise.
<i>When Judges are seated</i>	The Court is resumed. Please be seated.
3. The following proclamations will henceforth be used in the Trial Division:
 - (a) OPENING ON FIRST DAY OF TRIAL and EACH DAY IN THE "APPLICATIONS" COURT

<i>Preliminary announcement</i>	Silence. All rise.
<i>When Judge is seated</i>	The Supreme Court of Queensland in its criminal/civil jurisdiction is in session. Any person having business before the Court come forward and announce your presence, and you will be heard. Please be seated.

(b) OPENING ON SUBSEQUENT DAYS OF TRIAL

Preliminary announcement Silence. All rise.

When Judge is seated The Supreme Court of Queensland in its criminal/civil jurisdiction is in session.

Please be seated.

(c) ADJOURNMENT

Silence. All rise.

The Court is adjourned [until]

(d) ON RESUMPTION AFTER SHORT ADJOURNMENT

Preliminary announcement Silence. All rise.

When Judge is seated The Court is resumed.

Please be seated.

(Paul de Jersey)
Chief Justice

16 October 2000