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PRACTICE DIRECTION LATE

FILING OF DOCUMENT

IN ORDER to ensure uniformity of practice at all court offices of the Supreme Court of Judicature and in order to give effect to the proper administration of the Civil Proceedings Rules, 1998 (CPR) it has become necessary to give directions in respect of documents to be filed after the date prescribed by any rule, practice direction, court order or direction.

Accordingly, under provisions of the CPR Part 4 rules 4.1 and 4.2 the Chief Justice directs that with effect from the 14th day of June, 2010—

1. Subject to the provisions of CPR Parts 9.3(3), 10.3(6) and 27.9(4), every document pertaining to any civil matter that is lodged at a court office after the date or period prescribed by any rule, practice direction, court order or direction shall be accompanied by—
 - (a) an application for an extension of time;
 - (b) where the particular rule, practice direction, court order or direction imposes an expressed or implied sanction for non-compliance, an application for relief from sanction(s);
 - (c) evidence in support of the above applications; and
 - (d) a draft of the order sought.
 - Attention is drawn to CPR Part 26 rules 26.6 and 26.7).
2. For the avoidance of doubt both applications mentioned in (a) and (b) above may conveniently be made in one document in the prescribed form (Form 10).
3. The court office shall immediately refer any document(s) and application(s) filed under (a)-(d) above to the judge to whom the matter is assigned.
4. The defaulting party shall as soon as practicable serve copies of any such document(s) and application(s) filed on all other parties in the matter so that the application for an extension of time, and where appropriate, relief from sanction(s) can be dealt with at the next case management conference or so soon as the judge may direct.
 - Attention is drawn to CPR Part 11.10).
5. The judge may deal with the above application(s) without a hearing in accordance with any of the provisions of CPR Part 11.13.

Dated this 26th day of May, 2010.

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Chief Justice