CORPORATIONS LIST

Revised hearing arrangements – Urgent applications, Motions and Directions

The Corporations List will continue to be available for urgent applications, motions, directions and allocated hearings following new procedures applicable in the Court from Tuesday 26 March 2020. From that date, the following procedural changes will apply in the Corporations List. These reflect the procedures now adopted by the Court in respect of audio visual and telephone links and, in exceptional cases, personal appearance with the leave of the Chief Justice or the Chief Judge in Equity.

Urgent Matters

2. Paragraphs 8 and 9 of Practice Note SC Eq 4 continue to apply with respect to the manner of contacting the Associate to the Corporations List Judge in relation to urgent applications. Those applications will be heard by telephone or audio visual link as appropriate or, in exceptional cases, by personal appearance with the leave of the Chief Justice or the Chief Judge in Equity.

Motions

- 3. The Monday Motions List commencing at 9.15 am will now be conducted only by telephone and will be reserved only for matters ready for a telephone or audio visual hearing on that day.
- 4. The applicant on the motion is to inform the Associate to the Corporations List Judge by no later than **4 pm on the Thursday** preceding the Monday Motions List whether the matter is ready for hearing and if so, the estimated length of the hearing.
- 5. The parties must provide short written submissions, together with a Court Book comprising copies of all affidavits and exhibits sought to be relied upon, to the Associate to the Corporations List Judge by no later than **noon on the Friday** preceding the Monday Motions List. Those documents are to be delivered in accordance with procedures advised on the Court's website or, if necessary, sent by email to the Associate to the Corporations Judge.

6. If a motion is not ready for hearing, the parties are to provide proposed consent orders for the preparation of the motion for hearing or adjournment, as appropriate, by **4pm on the Thursday** preceding the Monday Motions List.

Directions

- 7. The Monday Directions List commencing at 10 am will now be conducted only by telephone with several matters dealt with by telephone in half hour blocks. Parties are expected to avoid unnecessary telephone listings by consulting with each other and agreeing proposed directions in advance of the Monday Directions List. Proposed directions should be forwarded to the Associate to the Corporations List Judge by **noon on the Friday** preceding the Monday Directions List. Such directions will be dealt with in chambers.
- 8. Legal representatives who have not agreed consent orders must provide written advice to the Associate to the Corporations List Judge by 4pm on the Thursday preceding the Corporations Directions List (1) confirming that the legal representatives have consulted and (2) identifying the nature of any disagreement.
- 9. If parties fail to appear by telephone at the allocated time, the matter may be adjourned to a telephone listing in the following week's Monday List or other orders may be made as appropriate.

Hearings

10. Allocated hearings will generally proceed by telephone or audio visual link as appropriate, unless the hearing is vacated by order of the Court. Personal appearance may be permitted in exceptional cases with the leave of the Chief Justice or the Chief Judge in Equity.