

14 October 2021

Dear Practitioners,

RE: REAL PROPERTY LIST NOTICE

The List Judge has directed that in order to accommodate the present need for parties and their representatives to not physically attend Court for directions hearings the parties must confer in advance of the listing date and make every effort to agree upon suitable consent orders which can be made in Chambers.

If agreement cannot be reached, despite those efforts:

- a) in matters listed for directions, the respective parties must no later than 2 days before the listing date submit to the Associate their proposed orders, together with a brief (no more than one page) statement in support of the orders, so as to enable the Court to adjudicate on the matter in Chambers. The parties should note that the statement provided will be the only submission considered by the Court upon adjudicating the directions hearing. Parties should refrain from sending any further communications in support of the orders sought, unless a further submission is sought by the Court. Matters will only remain listed for a directions hearing if a request to that effect is made, accompanied by an explanation as to why it would not be appropriate for the matter to be dealt with in Chambers. Any such request must indicate whether the directions hearing can be conducted by telephone and, if an oral hearing is granted, the Court will provide details as to how the parties can link to the Virtual Courtroom;

NB: Should his Honour deem that an oral directions hearing is necessary, details of the listing time of the matter and how to connect to the Virtual Courtroom will be provided at or around 4:30pm on the Thursday preceding the Friday listing date. If you are not provided with those details the matter will be dealt with in Chambers. Any Notice of Listing should be ignored.

- b) in a matter listed as an application, the hearing will be conducted by telephone at a nominated time. The Court will provide the necessary contact details at or around 4:30pm on the Thursday preceding the Friday listing date.

Kind regards

Associate to
Justice Darke