PRACTICE DIRECTION - CASE SUMMARIES FOR APPLICATIONS

A Case Summary should be filed for any Application that has been listed for directions in complex matters or matters other than straightforward ones. Upon filing an Application the Judicial Officer will indicate to Court administration whether they require a Case Summary to be filed prior to the directions hearing date allotted to the case.

Court administration will then process the Application and indicate the Court's requirement to the Applicant.

In many cases it should be evident to the Applicant that a Case Summary is required, in which case it should be filed with the Application.

Subject to any contrary direction made by a Judicial Officer in a particular case, a Case Summary should be filed at least 72 hours prior to the directions hearing allocated.

A Case Summary should be a short and uncontroversial description of what the case is about and should therefore:

- a) Set out a brief summary of the claim;
- b) Indicates the issues of fact which are agreed or in dispute;
- c) Not exceed 500 words; and
- d) Be prepared by the Applicant and agreed by the other side where possible. Such agreement to be indicated in the covering letter when filing.

Case Summaries are designed to assist in the speedier processing and determination of Applications. A failure to provide a Case Summary at all, or in proper form, will be taken into account on any questions of costs.

Case Summaries should continue to be filed for all Trials in accordance with Rule 9.5 of the Rules of the High Court of Justice 2009 with their contents produced in accordance with this Practice Direction.

MADE this 3rd day of April 2023

His Honour the Deemster Corlett

First Deemster

His Honour the Deemster Needham Second Deemster