## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE

## PRACTICE DIRECTION NO. 2 OF 2007

## NEW EDITION OF SUPREME COURT PRACTICE DIRECTIONS

All originating processes are now commenced via the Electronic Filing System ("EFS"). Only a minority of cases do not use the EFS. For ease of reference, a new edition of *The Supreme Court Practice Directions* is therefore released to cater primarily to proceedings using the EFS. Directions concerning cases that do not use EFS have been removed from the main parts of these Practice Directions and incorporated into a new Part XXI, which will apply only to proceedings that do not use the EFS.

- Apart from the above changes, various miscellaneous amendments have also been made to bring the Practice Directions in line with existing practice. The main amendments are as follows:
  - (a) paragraph 15 contains directions on the use of the Electronic Queue Management System in the Supreme Court;
  - (b) the times for attempts at personal service for the purpose of obtaining an order of substituted service in paragraph 32 have been changed to take into account the five-day work week;
  - (c) paragraph 57 makes it clear that lawyers are required to seek the consent of the opposing counsel before requesting for vacation or adjournment of hearings other than trials; and
  - (d) paragraph 73 now requires parties to an appeal from a tribunal under Order 55 of the Rules of Court to tender the notes of proceedings, grounds of decision and any skeletal arguments or bundles of authorities before the hearing of the appeal.

- The electronic copy of the Practice Directions available on the Supreme Court website *www.supremecourt.gov.sg* has also been enhanced for easier access.
- 4 The Supreme Court Practice Directions (2007 Ed.) will take effect on 1 August 2007 and supersede The Supreme Court Practice Directions (2006 Ed.).

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