

## NOTICE

## Rescission of Practice Directions FPD-6, FPD-18, PD-49, PD-51 and Administrative Notice AN-13

Effective September 1, 2023, the *Supreme Court Family Rules* (the "*SCFR*") and the *Supreme Court Civil Rules* (the "*SCCR*") were amended pursuant to <u>OIC No. 425-2023</u>.

**Family Practice Direction 6** (Short Notice Applications - Family) provides a variation of a Form F17 requisition that may be used when making short notice applications in accordance with *SCFR* 10-9. The September 1, 2023 amendments include new Form F32.01 to be used for short notice applications pursuant to subrule 10-9(2).

Family Practice Direction 18 (Applications made by Requisition – Supreme Court Family Rules 7-1(4), 14-3(4), 22-1(3) and (4) and 22-6(4)) provides a variation of a Form F17 requisition that may be filed under the referenced subrules, and which may be used to take the place of a separate letter, if required, setting out reasons for why an order is sought. The September 1, 2023 amendments incorporate the procedure set out in this practice direction by including and referencing new Form F18.1 (for applications pursuant to subrule 7-1(4) and new Form F19.1 (for applications pursuant to subrules 14-3(4) and 22-6(4). See new Family Practice Direction 19 regarding applications made by requisition pursuant to subrules 22-1(3) and (4) regarding the conduct of judicial case conferences.

**Civil Practice Direction 49** (Applications made by Requisition – Rules 5-1(3), 5-2(3)(a), 5-2(3)(b), 12-2(4) and 23-5(4)) provides a variation of a Form 17 requisition that may be used to take the place of a separate letter setting out the reasons why an order is sought. The September 1, 2023 amendments incorporate the procedure set out in this practice direction by including and referencing new Form 19.1 (for applications pursuant to subrule 5-1(3)) and new Form 20.1 (for applications pursuant to subrules 5-2(3)(a) and (b), 12-2(4) and 23-5(4).

**Civil Practice Direction 51** (Consent Order to Dispense with Trial Management Conference in Civil Cases) supplement subrules 12-2(3.4)-(3.6), which establish a procedure for parties to apply for a consent order to dispense with a TMC by prescribing a special procedure for electronically filing applications and establishing a required form dealing with trial readiness. Subrules 12-2(3.4)-(3.6) are repealed effective September 1, 2023 and the rule amendments include a new rule establishing when TMCs are mandatory.

**Administrative Notice 13** (Inclusion of Trial Briefs in the Trial Record) directs that copies of trial briefs should be included in the trial record in both family and civil proceedings. The September 1, 2023 amendments require the inclusion of trial briefs in the trial record in SCFR 14-4(1)(d.1) and SCCR 12-3(1)(d.1).

Accordingly, Family Practice Direction 6, Family Practice Direction 18, Practice Direction 49, Practice Direction 51 and Administrative Notice 13 are rescinded.

Dated September 1, 2023 at Vancouver, British Columbia

By Direction of Chief Justice Christopher E. Hinkson Supreme Court of British Columbia