SUPREME COURT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA
NOTICE TO PRACTITIONERS:

CONSOLIDATED PRACTICE DIRECTIONS – PROBATE

Amendments to the Consolidated Practice Directions have been published today to incorporate new practice directions on the Passing of Accounts Process and Requests for Access to Rule 9B Statements.

Passing of Accounts

Practice Direction 9.1.5 supplements rule 37 of the *Non-contentious Probate Rules 1967* in setting out the procedures that apply to the passing of accounts to ensure that any application to pass the accounts of a deceased estate pursuant to s 43(1)(b) of the *Administration Act 1903* proceeds expeditiously and cost-effectively.

Practice Direction 9.1.5.1 is a Notice to Pass Accounts that may be issued by a Registrar requesting that an executor or administrator (referred to as the legal personal representative) pass accounts.

Practice Direction 9.1.5.2 is a Notice of Intention to Object for use by a beneficiary wishing to object to the passing of the accounts after the accounts have been filed with the Court.

Requests for Access to Rule 9B Statements

Practice Direction 9.2.3 sets out a consistent approach for the release of statements of assets and liabilities lodged with an application for a grant of representation in a deceased estate pursuant to rule 9B of the *Non-contentious Probate Rules 1967* (9B Statement).

All 9B Statements provided by the Court pursuant to Practice Direction 9.2.3 will be accompanied by an information sheet setting out the permitted uses that can be made of the 9B Statement. An example information sheet is provided at Practice Direction 9.2.3.1.

Request forms for 9B Statements are provided at Practice Directions 9.2.3.2 and 9.2.3.3 for represented and unrepresented applicants respectively. A sample 9B Statement is at Practice Direction 9.2.3.4.

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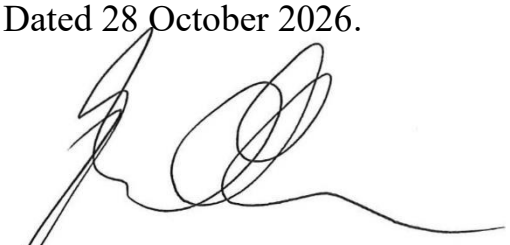

The Hon Justice Peter Quinlan
Chief Justice of Western Australia