



**SUPREME COURT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA  
NOTICE TO PRACTITIONERS:**

**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE AMENDMENT RULES 2023 – ELECTRONIC  
PRODUCTION UNDER WITNESS SUMMONS**

The *Criminal Procedure Amendment Rules 2023* (the **Amendment Rules**) were published in the general edition of the Government Gazette on 14 March 2023. The substantive provisions will come into operation on 15 March 2023.

The Amendment Rules amend the *Criminal Procedure Rules 2005*. The primary purpose of the amendments is to enable persons required to produce records under a witness summons to produce those records to the Court in an electronic format unless a hard copy is specifically required.

Rule 39 (Early compliance with summons to produce) provides for records to be produced via CD-ROM, DVD and USB device or by other electronic means approved by a registrar, in a format approved by the Court. A list of approved document types is available on the Court's website.

Dated 15 March 2023.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Joseph McGrath'.

The Hon Justice Joseph McGrath