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PRACTICE DIRECTION

SUPPLEMENT TO THE PRACTICE DIRECTION (COURT OPERATIONS WITH EFFECT FROM SEPTEMBER 19, 2022 NO. 21) ISSUED ON THE 19th SEPTEMBER, 2022 AND PUBLISHED IN THE TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO GAZETTE VOLUME 61 NO. 161

No. 21.5

This Practice Direction is issued pursuant to Part 4 of the Civil Proceedings Rules 1998, Part 20 of the Criminal Procedure Rules 2016, Part 4 of the Family Proceedings Rules 1998, Part 22 of the Children Court Rules 2018, Rule 69 of the Petty Civil Court Rules and Rule 72 of the Non-Contentious Business Rules (as amended) and is applicable to all divisions of the Judiciary of Trinidad and Tobago including the Supreme Court and the Summary Courts.

The objectives of this Practice Direction are to:

- Extend the deadline for the payments of Public Health Fixed Penalty Notices and courtordered fines to facilitate ease of access to a range of payment options including cash alternatives;
- 2. Extend the deadline for the payments of court-ordered compensation not including maintenance to facilitate ease of access to a range of payment options including cash alternatives; and
- 3. Extend the deadline for the payment of traffic tickets received prior to May 26th, 2020 to facilitate ease of access to a range of payment options including cash alternatives.

Accordingly, the following measures shall take effect:

4. This Practice Direction is intended to supersede and/or replace the provisions of any prior Practice Direction to the extent of any inconsistency, but otherwise shall be read in conjunction with any other Practice Direction in force for the time being.

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PRACTICE DIRECTION—CONTINUED

EXTENSION OF DEADLINES FOR THE PAYMENT OF FINES AND COURT ORDERED COMPENSATION PAYMENTS NOT INCLUDING MAINTENANCE

- 5. Persons can pay Public Health Fixed Penalties and fines by credit card or Visa enabled debit card from any internet-enabled device by accessing https://courtpay.ttlawcourts.org/. This payment facility is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- 6. The deadline for making payments by persons who are unable to pay Public Health Fixed Penalties and fines by credit card or Visa enabled debit card is extended to July 31, 2023.
- 7. The deadline for persons to pay all fines due and owing at May 1, 2023 is extended to July 31, 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, this shall include all fines due and owing from March 16, 2020 to May 1, 2023 inclusive.
- 8. The deadline for persons to pay all **court ordered compensation payments NOT INCLUDING MAINTENANCE** due and owing at May 1, 2023 is extended to July 31, 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, this shall include all compensation payments due and owing from March 16, 2020 to May 1, 2023 inclusive. Compensation payments will be made by contacting the court location that heard the matter to make an appointment to pay. (See table 1 below for email contact for Court locations).
- 9. The deadline for persons to pay all Public Health Fixed Penalties issued on or before May 1, 2023 is extended to July 31, 2023.
- 10. The hearings for Public Health Fixed Penalty Notices issued between September 5, 2020 and July 31, 2023, where the fines are not paid, are advised that dates of all adjourned matters will be published on the Judiciary website and in the Gazette and a national newspaper by July 15, 2023.
- 11. The hearings for Public Health Fixed Penalty Notices issued on or after July 14, 2023, where the fines are not paid, shall be the date as stated on the Fixed Penalty Notice.

EXTENSION OF DEADLINE FOR THE PAYMENT OF TRAFFIC TICKETS RECEIVED PRIOR TO MAY 26, 2020

12. The deadline for persons to pay all traffic tickets issued on or before May 26, 2020 is extended to July 31, 2023 in accordance with Legal Notice No. 73 of 2023.

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Table 1

Petty Civil Court Matters	Email Address
NORTH TRINIDAD	
Port of Spain District Court	pcc.portofspain@ttlawcourts.org
Tunapuna District Court	pcc.tunapuna@ttlawcourts.org
Arima District Court	pcc.arima@ttlawcourts.org
Sangre Grande District Court	pcc.sangregrande@ttlawcourts.org
Chaguanas District Court	pcc.chaguanas@ttlawcourts.org
SOUTH TRINIDAD	
Couva District Court	pcc.couva@ttlawcourts.org
San Fernando District Court	pcc.sanfernando@ttlawcourts.org
Princes Town District Court	pcc.princestown@ttlawcourts.org
Rio Claro District Court	pcc.rioclaro@ttlawcourts.org
Siparia District Court	pcc.siparia@ttlawcourts.org
Mayaro District Court	pcc.mayaro@ttlawcourts.org
Point Fortin District Court	pcc.pointfortin@ttlawcourts.org
TOBAGO	
Scarborough District Court	pcc.tobago@ttlawcourts.org
District Court Matters	Email Address
NORTH TRINIDAD	
Port of Spain District Court	mrcc.portofspain@ttlawcourts.org
Tunapuna District Court	mrcc.tunapuna@ttlawcourts.org
Arima District Court	mrcc.arima@ttlawcourts.org
Sangre Grande District Court	mrcc.sangregrande@ttlawcourts.org
Chaguanas District Court	mrcc.chaguanas@ttlawcourts.org
SOUTH TRINIDAD	
Couva District Court	mrcc.couva@ttlawcourts.org
San Fernando District Court	mrcc.sanfernando@ttlawcourts.org
Princes Town District Court*	mrcc.princestown@ttlawcourts.org
Siparia District Court	mrcc.siparia@ttlawcourts.org
Point Fortin District Court	mrcc.pointfortin@ttlawcourts.org
TOBAGO	
Scarborough District Court	mrcc.tobago@ttlawcourts.org
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Supreme Court Matters	Email Address
Hall of Justice, Port of Spain	hojcr.response@ttlawcourts.org
San Fernando Supreme	sfsc.response@ttlawcourts.org
Scarborough Supreme	Scarborough supreme court@ttlawcourts.org

^{*}Rio Claro and Mayaro District Court Matters are now heard in Princes Town District Court.

Dated this 31st day of March, 2023

/s/ Ivor Archie Chief Justice