



Children's Court
Victoria

CHILDREN'S COURT OF VICTORIA

PRACTICE DIRECTION

No. 4 of 2006

PROVISION OF WITNESS LISTS IN FAMILY DIVISION

This Practice Direction is issued pursuant to Section 280D of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*.

Purpose: To assist in the proper estimates of length and co-ordination of contested hearings in the Family Division, in all matters that proceed to a Directions Hearing, **except with the leave** of the Court, each party must file a witness list

A **witness list** must contain a list of witnesses each party proposes to call including identifying details of any documents made or reports prepared by that witness upon which that party intends to rely.

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Judge Jennifer Coate
President
Children's Court of Victoria

15 March 2006