



In the Supreme Court of Bermuda

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31 August 2022

CIRCULAR NO. 13 OF 2022

TO ALL ATTORNEYS AND LITIGANTS IN PERSON

SUPREME COURT APPEARANCES AND CAUSE BOOK

This Practice Direction is issued further to Circular 03 of 2022.

WITH IMMEDIATE EFFECT:

- (1) Whilst the Courts have utilized Zoom to conduct remote hearings to address the difficulties with attending the Courts in person as a result of the Covid-19 Pandemic, **all parties are now expected to attend all Court hearings in person.**
- (2) It will be at the sole discretion of the presiding Judge or Registrar to direct whether a Court hearing can take place remotely, via Zoom.
- (3) Searches of the Supreme Court Cause Books may be carried out during the usual Registry opening hours. Appointments are not required.
- (4) The Court will continue to provide an updated, electronic copy of the Supreme Court Cause Book (for the current year) using the following procedure:
 - (a) Requests to be sent the electronic copy of the Cause Book should be e-mailed to supremecourt@gov.bm and aloconnor@gov.bm with the subject matter being "**Cause Book Electronic Search Request**".
 - (b) A scanned Search Praeceptum for this purpose should be attached to the email request bearing a copy of the requisite revenue stamp(s) and received by 1:00 p.m. each Tuesday and Friday. **The original hardcopy should be filed with the Court within 24 hours following the electronic request.**
 - (c) The electronic copy of the Cause Book will be distributed by **4:00 p.m. each Tuesday and Friday.**

Dated this 31st day of August 2022



REGISTRAR

CC: The Attorney-General's Chambers
Department of Public Prosecutions
Hamilton Police Station
Commissioner of Police
Commissioner of Corrections
Magistrates Court
Bermuda Bar Association
Legal Aid Office