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CHAPTER 27

HIGH COURT

An Act to amend the law with respect to the jurisdiction and business of the High Court, and with respect to the officers and offices of the High Court, and otherwise with respect to the administration of justice and the validation of certain acts.

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PART I PRELIMINARYPART I

PRELIMINARY

1. This Act may be cited as the High Court Act.

Short title

2. (1) In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires-

Interpretation

- "action" means a civil proceeding commenced by writ or in such other manner as may be prescribed by rules of court, but does not include a criminal proceeding by the People;
- "cause" includes any action, suit or other original proceeding between a plaintiff and a defendant and any criminal proceeding;
- "Clerk of Sessions" means an officer of the Court appointed as a Clerk of Sessions under the provisions of subsection (3) of section *nineteen*;
- "committed for trial" includes every case of a person ordered to be tried on information before the Court, whether imprisoned or admitted to bail;
- "Court" means the High Court;
- "defendant" includes every person, other than a plaintiff, served with any writ of summons or process, or served with notice of, or entitled to attend, any proceedings in a civil cause, and also every person charged under any process of the Court with any crime or offence;
- "district registry" means a district registry established under the provisions of section *thirty-nine*;
- "Judge" includes the Chief Justice and any Puisne Judge of the Court;
- "judgment" includes a decree;
- "matter" includes every proceeding in the Court not in a cause;
- "plaintiff" includes every person asking any relief (otherwise than by way of counter-claim as a defendant) against any other person by any form of proceeding, whether writ, petition or otherwise;

- practitioner" has the meaning assigned to it in section two of the Legal Cap. 30 Practitioners Act;
- "principal registry" means the office of the Registrar at Lusaka;

Cap. 30

- "qualified person" has the meaning assigned to it in section eleven of the Legal Practitioners Act:
- "Session" means a sitting of the Court at a time and place appointed under the provisions of section nineteen for the purpose of transacting any of the business set forth in the said section:
- "Sessions Town" means Lusaka, Ndola, and any place appointed under the provisions of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section *nineteen*; "suit" includes action.
- (2) Any reference in this Act to any officer of the Court by title shall, unless the context otherwise requires, mean the person appointed to the office concerned under the provisions of this Act, and shall include any person lawfully performing the functions of such office and, to the extent that any person is empowered to exercise part only of such functions, such person.

(As amended by S.I. No. 63 of 1964)

PART II CONSTITUTION OF THE COURTPART II

CONSTITUTION OF THE COURT

3. (1) The High Court, as constituted by the Constitution, shall be the High Court of Judicature for Zambia.

Establishment of Court Cap. 1

(2) The Court shall be deemed to be duly constituted during, and notwithstanding, any vacancy in the office of the Chief Justice or of any Puisne Judge.

(As amended by S.I. No. 63 of 1964)

Subject to any express statutory provision to the contrary, all the Judges shall have and may exercise, in all respects, equal power, authority and jurisdiction, and, subject as aforesaid, any Judge may exercise all or any part of the jurisdiction by this Act or otherwise vested in the Court, and, for such purpose, shall be and form a Court.

Powers and jurisdiction of Judges

The trial of any civil cause or matter may, if the presiding Judge so decides, be held with the aid of assessors, the number of whom shall be two or more as to such Judge seems fit.

Trial with assessors

(2) Where a trial is held with the aid of assessors under this section, all the Cap. 88 provisions of the Criminal Procedure Code relating to assessors shall, so far as the same are applicable and subject to any rules of court, apply to such trial.

PART III OFFICERS OF THE COURTPART III

OFFICERS OF THE COURT

- **6.** (1) There shall be a Registrar of the High Court and one or more Deputy Registrars, who shall be appointed by the Judicial Service Commission.
- (2) The Public Service Commission may appoint Assistant Registrars, Deputy Assistant Registrars and other officers of the Court.
- (3) No person shall be appointed to be or to act as Registrar or Deputy Registrar unless he is a qualified person.

(As amended by G.N. No. 303 of 1964)

7. (1) The Registrar and Deputy Registrars shall, subject to any rules of court, have the same jurisdiction, powers and duties as a Master of the Supreme Court of Judicature, and a Registrar of the High Court, in England, and, in addition, shall have such further jurisdiction, powers and duties as the Chief Justice may by rule prescribe.

Powers, etc., of Registrar and other officers of the Court

- (2) Officers of the Court other than the Registrar, Deputy Registrars and District Registrars shall have such jurisdiction and powers as the Chief Justice may by rule prescribe.
- (3) Rules made under the provisions of this section may make provision for and concerning appeals from decisions of the Registrar, Deputy Registrars and other officers of the Court.
- (4) Subject to the general or special directions of the Chief Justice or to the directions of the Court in any particular cause or matter, the manner in which the Deputy Registrars and other officers of the Court carry out the duties imposed upon them by this or any other written law or otherwise shall be under the control and superintendence of the Registrar.
- **8.** The Chief Justice may give such directions as he thinks fit as to the duties to be carried out by, and for the apportionment of functions among, the officers of the Court, and, without prejudice to the generality of the power hereby conferred, such directions may specify, either by name or office, the officers of the Court who shall be responsible for the issue of summonses, warrants and writs of execution, for the registration of orders and judgments, for the taxing of bills of costs, for the keeping of the records of the proceedings of the Court, and for the custody of and other matters relating to fines, fees and other moneys paid into or out of the Court.

Directions by the Chief Justice as to duties and functions

PART IV JURISDICTION AND LAWPART IV

JURISDICTION AND LAW

9. (1) The Court shall be a Superior Court of Record, and, in addition to any other jurisdiction conferred by the Constitution and by this or any other written law, shall, within the limits and subject as in this Act mentioned, possess and exercise all the jurisdiction, powers and authorities vested in the High Court of Justice in England.

Jurisdiction. Cap. 1

(2) The jurisdiction vested in the Court shall include the judicial hearing and determination of matters in difference, the administration or control of property or persons, and the power to appoint or control guardians of infants and their estates, and also keepers of the persons and estates of idiots, lunatics and such as, being of unsound mind, are unable to govern themselves and their estates.

(As amended by S.I. No. 63 of 1964)

10. The jurisdiction vested in the Court shall, as regards practice and procedure, be exercised in the manner provided by this Act and the Criminal Procedure Code, or by any other written law, or by such rules, order or directions of the Court as may be made under this Act, or the said Code, or such written law, and in default thereof in substantial conformity with the law and practice for the time being observed in England in the High Court of Justice.

Practice and procedure Cap. 88

(As amended by No 25 of 1964)

11. (1) The jurisdiction of the Court in divorce and matrimonial causes and matters shall, subject to this Act and any rules of court, be exercised in substantial conformity with the law and practice for the time being in force in England.

Probate and divorce jurisdiction

- (2) The law and practice for the time being in force for the Probate, Divorce and Admiralty Divisions of the High Court of Justice in England with respect to the Queen's Proctor shall, subject to rules of court and to any rules made under the provisions of the Colonial and Other Territories (Divorce Jurisdiction) Acts, 1926 to 1950, of the United Kingdom, apply to the Attorney-General.
- (3) The jurisdiction of the Court in probate causes and matters shall, subject to this Act and any rules of court, be exercised in substantial conformity with the law and practice in force in England on the 17th August, 1911 (being the commencement of the Northern Rhodesia Order in Council, 1911).
- (4) No probate of a will or letters of administration granted prior to the commencement of this Act to any person shall be invalid by reason only that the right to the grant was determined in accordance with any law in force in England after the 17th August, 1911.

(5) No suit or other legal proceedings shall be instituted against any person by reason only that the deceased person's estate was administered in accordance with the law in force in England after the 17th August, 1911.

(As amended by No. 70 of 1963)

12. (1) All statutes of the Parliament of the United Kingdom applied to Zambia shall be in force so far only as the limits of the local jurisdiction and local circumstances permit.

Rules as to application of English statutes

- (2) For the purpose of facilitating the application of the statutes referred to in subsection (1), it shall be lawful for the Court to construe the same with such verbal alterations, not affecting the substance, as may be necessary to make the same applicable to the proceedings before the Court.
- (3) Every Judge or officer of the Court having or exercising functions of the like kind or analogous to the functions of any Judge or officer referred to in any statute mentioned in subsection (1), shall be deemed to be within the meaning of the provisions thereof relating to such last-mentioned Judge or officer, and whenever the Great Seal or any other seal of a court is mentioned in any such statute it shall be read as if the seal of the Court or of a district registry, as the case may be, were substituted therefor.
- 13. In every civil cause or matter which shall come in dependence in the Court, law and equity shall be administered concurrently, and the Court, in the exercise of the jurisdiction vested in it, shall have the power to grant, and shall grant, either absolutely or on such reasonable terms and conditions as shall seem just, all such remedies or reliefs whatsoever, interlocutory or final, to which any of the parties thereto may appear to be entitled in respect of any and every legal or equitable claim or defence properly brought forward by them respectively or which shall appear in such cause or matter, so that, as far as possible, all matters in controversy between the said parties may be completely and finally determined, and all multiplicity of legal proceedings concerning any of such matters avoided; and in all matters in which there is any conflict or variance between the rules of equity and the rules of the common law with reference to the same matter, the rules of equity shall prevail.

Law and equity to be concurrently administered

14. Where any person neglects or refuses to comply with a judgment or order directing him to execute any conveyance, contract or other document, or to endorse any negotiable instrument, the Court may, on such terms and conditions, if any, as may be just, order that the conveyance, contract or other document shall be executed or that the negotiable instrument shall be endorsed by such person as the Court may nominate for that purpose, and a conveyance, contract, document or instrument so executed or endorsed shall operate and be for all purposes available as if it had been executed or endorsed by the person originally directed to execute or endorse it.

Execution of instruments by order of the Court

15. All writs, precepts and mandatory process to be used, issued or awarded by the Court shall run and be in the name of the President, and shall be sealed with the seal of the Court.

Form of writs, etc.

(As amended by S.I. No. 63 of 1964)

16. (1) If, on application made by the Attorney-General under this section, the Court is satisfied that any person has habitually and persistently and without any reasonable ground instituted vexations legal proceedings, whether in the Court or in any subordinate court, and whether against the same person or against different persons, the Court may, after hearing such person or giving him an opportunity of being heard, order that no legal proceedings shall, without leave of the Court or a Judge, be instituted by him in any court, and that any legal proceedings instituted by him in any court before the making of such order shall not be continued by him without such leave, and such leave shall not be given unless the Court or a Judge is satisfied that the proceedings are not an abuse of the process of the Court and that there is *prima facie* ground for such proceedings.

Restriction of vexatious actions

(2) A copy of any order made under the provisions of this section shall be published in the *Gazette*.

(As amended by No. 30 of 1967)

17. (1) Civil appeals from subordinate courts shall be heard by one Judge except where in any particular case the Chief Justice shall direct that the appeal shall be heard by two Judges.

Appeals in civil matters

- (2) Where an appeal is heard by a bench of two Judges under the provisions of this section and they are divided in opinion, the appeal shall be dismissed.
- **17A.** (1) Where the presiding Judge is, on account of illness, death, relinquishment or cesser of jurisdiction or any other similar cause, unable to deliver a judgment already prepared by him, then the Chief Justice may direct that another Judge of the High Court shall deliver in open court the judgment prepared by the presiding Judge and shall, thereafter, complete the proceedings of the case as if he had himself heard and determined the case:

Completion of proceedings

Provided that the judgment shall be dated and signed by the Judge at the time of delivering it.

(2) In any case where a Judge has been appointed (whether before or after the *(1)commencement of Act No. 3 of 1972) to be or to act as the Supreme Court Judge, he shall complete any proceedings already commenced before him, and for this purpose he shall be deemed to retain the position and powers which he held immediately before his being so appointed.

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(No. 3 of 1972)

PART V SITTINGS AND DISTRIBUTION OF BUSINESSPART V

SITTINGS AND DISTRIBUTION OF BUSINESS

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18. The sittings of the Court shall usually be held in such buildings within Zambia as the Chief Justice may assign as Court Houses for that purpose, but in case the Court shall sit in any other building or place within the limits of jurisdiction for the transaction of legal business, the proceedings shall be as valid, in every respect, as if the same had been held in any such Court House.

Place of sitting

(As amended by G.N. No. 303 of 1964)

19. (1) The Chief Justice may by statutory order under his hand appoint-

Sessions

- (a) the times at which Sessions shall normally be held in Lusaka, Ndola, Kitwe, Livingstone Mansa, Solwezi, Kabwe, Mongu, Kasama and Chipata for the trial of persons committed for trial before the Court by subordinate courts within such Provinces or Districts as may be so appointed; and
- (b) the places, other than Lusaka, Ndola, Kitwe, Livingstone, Kabwe, Mongu, Kasama, Chipata, Mansa and Solwezi and the times at which Sessions shall normally be held for the trial of persons committed for trial before the Court by subordinate courts within such Provinces or Districts as may be so appointed, and for the trial of civil cases and the disposal of all other legal business pending within such Provinces or Districts.
- (2) A Judge may, whenever the business of the Court shall so require, by order under his hand appoint-
 - (a) the time at which a special Session shall be held at any Sessions Town for the purpose of dealing with any of the matters mentioned in subsection (1); or
 - (b) the place, other than a Sessions Town, and the time at which a special Session shall be held for such purposes as such Judge shall specify.
- (3) The Chief Justice may appoint an officer of the Court to be the Clerk of Sessions in respect of any particular Session, or in respect of any group or series of Sessions or in respect of any Sessions held by a particular Judge.
- **20.** (1) Subject to any rules of court relating to sittings and vacations, the Court shall be open throughout the year in Lusaka, all Courts with Resident Judges and in district registries, except on Sundays and public holidays, for the transaction of general legal business pending therein other than trial on information of criminal cases, and the Court may at any time hear and determine any causes or matters pending in the Court, other than such criminal cases, upon notice to the parties and otherwise as shall be determined by rules of court or as shall seem just and reasonable.

Special provisions as to Lusaka, and all Courts with Resident Judges and District Registrars

(2) Whenever it appears to the Chief Justice that it is expedient that any criminal matter arising out of proceedings in any subordinate court in any Province or District other than those appointed under the provisions of paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section *nineteen* should be heard and determined at Lusaka or any other Court with a Resident Judge the Chief Justice may direct that such matter shall be so heard and determined:

Provided that, in the case of a criminal appeal, whether by way of case stated or otherwise, the appellant shall, except where the Chief Justice has directed that such appeal shall be heard by two Judges, be entitled, by written notice to the Court, to require that such appeal shall be heard and determined at the next Session to be held in respect of the Province or District concerned.

21. In case the Judge before whom any cause or matter is to be heard or by whom any Session is to be held for any reason is unable or fails to attend on the day appointed, and no other Judge attends in his stead, the Court or Session shall stand adjourned from day to day until a Judge shall attend or until the Court or Session shall be adjourned or closed by order under the hand of a Judge or an officer of the Court or of a magistrate.

Adjournment of Court, etc., in absence of Judge

PART VI POWERS OF TRANSFERPART VI

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22. The provisions of this Part as to the transfer of causes and matters shall apply to criminal causes only so far as the same are not inconsistent with the provisions of the Criminal Procedure Code relating to the transfer of such causes.

Transfer in criminal cases
Cap. 88

23. (1) Any cause or matter may, at any time or at any stage thereof, and either with or without the application of any of the parties thereto, be transferred from one Judge to another Judge by an order of the Judge before whom the cause or matter has come or been set down:

Transfer between Judges, etc.

Provided that no such transfer shall be made without the consent of the Judge to whom it is proposed to transfer such cause or matter.

(2) Any cause or matter may, at any time or at any stage thereof, and either with or without the application of any of the parties thereto, be transferred by the Court or a Judge from any subordinate court to any other subordinate court or to the Court, or from the Court to any subordinate court, or from any Session or sitting of the Court to any other Session or sitting.

(3) A transfer to a subordinate court under the provisions of subsection (2) shall take Cap. 28 effect notwithstanding the provisions of section four of the Subordinate Courts Act, and for the purpose of any such transfer the subordinate court concerned shall be deemed to have jurisdiction throughout Zambia, but no such transfer shall be deemed to enlarge the limits set upon the civil jurisdiction of subordinate courts by the provisions of Part III of the said Act or to confer any jurisdiction in excess thereof.

(4) Where any transfer has been made under the provisions of subsection (2), any person affected by such transfer may make application to the Court or to the Judge, as the case may be, making such transfer for an order setting aside such transfer or for an order transferring the cause or matter to the subordinate court of some District other than that to which it was first transferred, or to the Court, and the Court or the Judge shall, on such application, make such order as, in the circumstances, may be just and reasonable.

(As amended by No. 25 of 1964)

24. (1) Any cause or matter may, at any time or at any stage thereof, and either with or without the application of any of the parties thereto, be transferred by the Court or a Judge from the Court to any local court recognised under the provisions of the Local Courts Act having jurisdiction over such cause or matter.

Transfer to local courts Cap. 29

(2) Before making any order under the provisions of subsection (1), the Court or the Judge shall satisfy himself that the making of such order will not be contrary to the interests of justice or cause undue inconvenience to the parties, and shall record his reasons for ordering such transfer, and the fact of such transfer shall be recorded in the appropriate Court register.

(As amended by No. 25 of 1964)

The powers of transfer conferred by this Part shall be exercised by means of an order under the hand of a Judge or the Registrar and the seal of the Court, and any such order may apply to any particular cause or matter in dependence or generally to all such causes or matters as may be described in such order, and, in the latter case, may extend to future causes or matters as well as to such as may, at the time of the making of such order, be in dependence:

Manner of transfer

Provided that such power of transfer in any particular cause or matter may, in any case of urgency, be exercised by means of a telegraphic communication from the Judge or the Registrar concerned followed by a subsequent order as required by this section, and any such telegraphic communication shall have effect as if it were an order under the hand of a Judge or the Registrar and the seal of the Court.

(As amended by No. 25 of 1964)

Every order of transfer made under this Part shall operate as a stay of proceedings before the court or Judge from which or from whom the proceedings are to be transferred in any cause or matter to which such order is applicable, and the process and proceedings in every such cause or matter, and an attested copy of all entries in the books of the court from which transfer is made shall, where necessary, be transmitted to the court or Judge to which or to whom the same shall be transferred, and such cause or matter shall be continued, heard and determined by such court or Judge.

Effect of order of transfer

PART VII EVIDENCEPART VII

EVIDENCE

27. (1) In any suit or matter, and at any stage thereof, the Court, either of its own motion or on the application of any party, may summon any person within the jurisdiction to give evidence, or to produce any document in his possession or power, and may examine such person as a witness and require him to produce any document in his possession or power, subject to just exceptions.

Summoning and compelling attendance of witnesses

- (2) If any person summoned as in subsection (1) provided, having reasonable notice of the time and place at which he is required to attend and after tender of his reasonable travelling expenses to and from the Court, fails to attend accordingly and does not excuse his failure to the satisfaction of the Court, he shall, independently of any other liability, be guilty of a contempt of court, and may be punished therefor, and may be proceeded against by warrant to compel his attendance.
- (3) Nothing in this section contained shall be construed so as to make it lawful in any criminal proceeding for any person to refuse or fail to attend as a witness or to give evidence on the ground that his expenses have not first been paid or provided for.
- 28. If, in any suit or matter, any person, whether appearing in obedience to a summons or brought up under warrant, being required to give evidence, refuses to take an oath or make an affirmation in lieu thereof, or to answer any question lawfully put to him, or to produce any document in his possession or power, and does not excuse his refusal to the satisfaction of the Court, he shall independently of any other liability, be guilty of a contempt of court, and the Court may, by warrant, commit him to prison, there to remain until he consents to take the oath or make an affirmation, or to answer duly, or to produce any such document, as the case may be.

Refusal to be sworn or to give evidence

29. Any person present in court, whether a party or not in a cause or matter, may be compelled by the Court to give evidence or to produce any document in his possession or power, in the same manner and subject to the same rules as if he had been duly summoned to attend and give evidence or to produce such document, and may be dealt with under the provisions of section *twenty-eight* for any refusal to obey the order of the Court.

Evidence of bystander

30. A Judge may issue a warrant under his hand to bring up any person confined as a prisoner under any sentence or otherwise, to be examined as a witness in any cause or matter depending in the Court, and the gaoler or person in whose charge such prisoner may be shall obey such warrant by bringing up such prisoner in custody and delivering him to an officer of the Court:

Evidence of prisoners

Provided that this section shall not apply in any case to which section *sixty-four* of Cap. 97 the Prisons Act applies.

31. (1) It shall be lawful for the Court, in civil as well as criminal proceedings, to order and to allow to all persons required to attend or be examined as witnesses such sum of money as the Chief Justice may, by rule made with the concurrence of the Minister responsible for finance, prescribe, as well for defraying the reasonable expenses of such persons as for allowing them a reasonable compensation for their trouble and loss of time.

Allowances to witnesses

- (2) All sums of money allowed under the provisions of this section shall be payable, in civil proceedings, by the party on whose behalf the witness is called, and shall be recoverable as ordinary costs of suit unless the Court shall otherwise order, and in criminal proceedings they shall, where not ordered to be paid by the person convicted or the prosecutor, be paid out of the general revenues of the Republic.
- **32.** (1) A Judge may, in respect of any proceedings in the Court, appoint any person or persons to be a Commissioner or Commissioners for taking affidavits and declarations and receiving production of documents, or for taking and receiving the evidence of witnesses on interrogatories or otherwise.

Commissioners of the Court

- (2) Any order of the Court or of a Judge for the attendance and examination of witnesses or the production of documents before any Commissioner appointed under the provisions of this section and within the jurisdiction of the Court shall be enforced in the same manner as an order to attend and be examined or produce documents before the Court.
- **33.** In any cause or matter, the Court may make such order for inspection by the Court, the parties or witnesses of any real or personal property the inspection of which may be material to the determination of the matter in dispute, and may give such directions with regard to such inspection as to the Court may seem fit.

Inspection

34. (1) The Court may, in any cause or matter in which questions of African customary law may be material to the issue-

Evidence of African customary law and assessors thereof

- (a) call as witnesses thereto chiefs or other persons whom the Court considers to have special knowledge of African customary law;
- (b) call any such chiefs or persons to its assistance as assessors of African customary law;
- (c) consult, if it shall think fit and, to such extent as to it seems proper, give effect to any book or publication which the Court shall consider to be an authority on African customary law.

- (2) It shall be the duty of assessors called under the provisions of subsection (1) to advise the Court on all matters of African customary law which may arise in the cause or matter concerned, and to tender their opinions to the Court on such cause or matter generally, but in reaching its decision the Court shall not be bound to conform to such opinions.
- (3) Assessors called under the provisions of subsection (1) shall be paid such fees and allowances as the Chief Justice may, by rule made with the concurrence of the Minister responsible for finance, determine, and such fees and allowances shall be paid out of the general revenues of the Republic unless the Court, in any particular civil cause or matter, orders that they shall be costs in the proceedings concerned.
- **35.** (1) Save as hereinafter in this section provided, no person shall be entitled as of right at any time or for any purpose to inspection or a copy of a record of evidence given in any case before the Court, or to a copy of the notes of the Court, save as may be expressly provided by rules of court.

Record of evidence,

- (2) Any party to any cause or matter before the Court shall, on payment of such fee as may be prescribed by rules of court, be entitled to a copy of the record of evidence given in such cause or matter.
- (3) The Director of Public Prosecutions shall, without payment of fee, be entitled to the record of evidence given in any criminal proceedings before the Court.

(As amended by S.I. No. 63 of 1964)

36. (1) Whenever an oath is required to be taken under the provisions of this or any Oaths, etc. other law, or in order to comply with any such law, the following provisions shall apply:

(a) The person taking the oath shall hold, if a Christian, a copy of the Gospels of the Four Evangelists or of the New Testament, or, if a Jew, a copy of the Old Testament, in his uplifted right hand, or, if he be physically incapable of so doing, he may hold such copy otherwise, or, if necessary such copy may be held before him by the officer administering the oath, and shall say or repeat after such officer the words "I swear by Almighty God that . . ." followed by the words of the oath prescribed by law or by the practice of the court, as the case may be:

Provided that if any person desires to take the oath in the form and manner in which an oath is usually administered in Scotland, he shall be permitted to do so.

(b) If the person taking the oath is neither a Christian nor a Jew, he may take the oath in any manner which he declares to be, or accepts as, binding on his conscience or which is lawful according to any law, and in particular he may do so by raising his right hand and saying or repeating after the officer administering the oath the words "I swear by Almighty God that . . ." followed by the words of the oath prescribed by law or by the practice of the court, as the case may be:

Provided that if the person taking the oath is physically incapable of raising his right hand, he may say or repeat the words of the oath without raising his right hand.

- (c) If any person shall express any objection to taking an oath or desires to make an affirmation in lieu thereof, he may make such affirmation without being further questioned as to the grounds of such objection or desire, or otherwise, and in such case there shall be substituted for the words "I swear by Almighty God" aforesaid the words "I do solemnly and sincerely affirm" and such consequential variations of form as may be necessary shall thereupon be made.
- (2) Notwithstanding any other provision contained in this section, any person may be required to make an affirmation in the form specified in paragraph (c) of subsection (1) if it is not reasonably practicable to administer an oath to him in the manner appropriate to his religious belief, and for the purposes of this subsection "reasonably practicable" means reasonably practicable without inconvenience or delay.
- (3) Where any oath has been duly administered and taken, the fact that the person to whom such oath was administered had, at the time of taking such oath, no religious belief, or had a religious belief other than that to which the oath taken normally applies, shall not for any purpose affect the validity of such oath.
- (4) For the purposes of this section, "officer" means any person duly authorised by law to administer oaths, and shall include any Assistant Registrar, Deputy Assistant Registrar and official interpreter administering an oath in the presence of a Judge or the Registrar or other person authorised by any law to administer oaths.

(As amended by No. 43 of 1961)

37. The proceedings in any cause or matter before the Court shall be taken down and recorded in such manner as may be prescribed by rules of court.

Recording o proceedings

(As amended by No. 43 of 1961)

38. (1) The Court, if it appears to it that a person has been guilty of perjury in any proceeding before it, may, after calling upon such person to show cause why he should not be punished as for a contempt of court, commit him to prison for any term not exceeding six months, with or without hard labour, or fine him any sum not exceeding one hundred penalty units, or impose both such penalties upon him, in each such case as for a contempt of court.

Perjury

(2) Any penalty imposed under this section shall be a bar to any other criminal proceedings in respect of the same offence.

(As amended by Act No. 13 of 1994)

PART VIII DISTRICT REGISTRIESPART VIII

DISTRICT REGISTRIES

39. (1) The Chief Justice may, by statutory notice, establish in such places as are specified in such notice, district registries for the Provinces or Districts set out in such notice, from which such writs of summons for the commencement of actions in the Court may be issued, and wherein such other proceedings may be taken, as may be prescribed by rules of court.

Establishment of district registries and appointment of District Registrars

- (2) The Chief Justice may, at any time by statutory notice, vary or revoke any notice issued under the provisions of subsection (1).
- (3) The Chief Justice may appoint any qualified person to be the District Registrar of any district registry.
 - (4) Every District Registrar shall be an officer of the Court.
- **40.** (1) In every district registry there shall be used such seal as the Chief Justice may direct.

Seals of district registries

- (2) The seal of the district registry shall be impressed upon every document required by this Act or by rules made thereunder or by any other written law to be so sealed, and all such documents and all exemplifications and copies thereof, purporting to be sealed with the seal of a district registry, shall be received in evidence within Zambia without further proof.
- (3) For the purposes of this section, "seal" means any device capable of making an imprint, whether embossed or otherwise, on paper.

(As amended by No. 25 of 1964)

41. District Registrars shall have power to administer oaths and shall perform such of the functions of the Registrar with respect to any proceedings in the Court as the Chief Justice may by rule prescribe or as may be directed by any special order of the Court.

Powers of District Registrars

42. (1) Any party to any proceedings commenced in a district registry may, at any time, apply to the Court or a Judge to remove such proceedings from such district registry to the principal registry or to another district registry, and the Court or Judge may thereupon, if the Court or Judge thinks fit, order that the proceedings be transferred accordingly, and the proceedings and such original documents, if any, as have been filed therein shall, upon receipt of such order, be transmitted by the District Registrar concerned to the principal registry or to such other district registry, and the proceedings shall thenceforth continue in the same manner as if they had been originally commenced in the principal registry or such other district registry, as the case may be.

Removal of proceedings

(2) The Court or a Judge may order the removal of any proceedings from the principal registry to a district registry, and, in such case, the provisions of subsection (1) shall, *mutatis mutandis*, apply.

PART IX MISCELLANEOUSPART IX

MISCELLANEOUS

43. The Chief Justice may, by statutory instrument, make rules regulating all matters connected with the deposits and fees to be payable in respect of any step taken or thing done in any cause or matter before the Court, including the amount (whether fixed or according to a scale or according to a percentage) of such fees, and the method (whether in money, by revenue stamp or otherwise) and the time of payment of such fees.

Fees

*(2)44. (1) Rules of court may be made, by statutory instrument, under this Act for Rules of court the following purposes:

*See section 8 of the Evidence Act (Cap. 43).

- (a) for regulating and prescribing the procedure (including the method of pleading) and the practice to be followed in the Court in all causes and matters whatsoever, including matrimonial causes and matters, in or with respect to which the Court has for the time being jurisdiction (including the procedure and practice to be followed in the principal registry and in district registries), and any matters incidental to or relating to any such procedure or practice, including (but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provision) the manner in which and the time within which, any applications which under the provisions of this or any other written law are to be made to the Court are to be made;
- (b) for regulating and prescribing the procedure on appeals, other than criminal appeals, from any court or person to the Court, and the procedure in connection with the transfer of proceedings under this Act;

- (c) for regulating the sittings of the Court and of Judges whether sitting in Court or in chambers, and for regulating and prescribing the vacations to be observed by the Court and the offices and registries thereof, and for providing for the hearing during the vacations of all such applications and such other matters as may require to be immediately or promptly heard;
- (a) for prescribing what part of the business which may be transacted and of the jurisdiction which may be exercised by a Judge in chambers may be transacted or exercised by the Registrar and other officers of the Court;
- (e) for prescribing the forms to be used in connection with any cause or matter before the Court;
- (1) for regulating the expenses of parties and witnesses, their amount, and the method and time of payment thereof;
- (g) for regulating the means by which particular facts may be proved, and the mode in which evidence thereof may be given, in any proceedings or on any application in connection with or at any stage of any procedings;
- (h) for regulating and prescribing the procedure and practice to be followed in Cap. 189
 any proceedings in the Court under the provisions of the Lands Acquisition
 Act;
- for regulating or prescribing any other matter which is to be regulated or prescribed by rules of court under any of the provisions of this Act.
- (2) Where any written law provides for the making of rules of court and the power to make such rules-
 - (a) is expressly conferred upon the High Court; or
 - (b) is not expressly conferred upon any specified authority or person;

such rules shall be made in the same manner as rules of court under this Act.

(As amended by S.I. No. 63 of 1964 and No. 24 of 1968)

45. (1) Rules of court made under this Act shall be made by a committee, to be known as the High Court Rules Committee and hereinafter referred to as the Committee, which shall consist of-

High Court Rules Committee Cap. 31

The Chief Justice.

Two Puisne Judges appointed by the Chief Justice.

Two practitioners nominated by the Council established under the provisions of the Law Association of Zambia Act, and appointed by the Chief Justice.

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(2)	A practitioner	shall not be	nominated,	or, if	nominated	shall	not be	appointed,	to
the Comi	mittee unless-								

- (a) he holds a current practising certificate issued under the provisions of the Cap. 30 Legal Practitioners Act; and
- (b) his name has been on the roll of practitioners, kept under the provisions of the said Act, for a period of not less than three years.
- (3) A practitioner appointed to the Committee shall continue to be a member thereof for a period of one year from the date of his appointment:

Provided that-

- (i) should no practitioner be nominated in sufficient time to allow his appointment to the Committee to become effective before the expiration of the term of office of his predecessor, the latter shall continue in office until his successor is appointed; and
- (ii) a practitioner shall cease to be a member of the Committee immediately he ceases to hold a valid practising certificate.
- (4) The Chief Justice shall be the chairman of the Committee, shall convene all meetings thereof, and shall have a casting as well as a deliberative vote.
- (5) The quorum for any meeting of the Committee shall be the chairman and two other members.
- (6) Nothing done by the Committee shall be invalid only by reason of any vacancy in the membership thereof or of the absence of any member from Zambia.
- (7) The Committee may transact its business by way of circulation of papers, and in any such case it shall not be necessary to convene a meeting of the Committee, but no business shall be considered to have been completed under this subsection unless and until all members of the Committee for the time being in Zambia have communicated their views thereon to the secretary of the Committee in writing.
- (8) The Chief Justice may appoint the Registrar or any other officer of the Court to be the secretary of the Committee.

46. The High Court Act, Chapter 3 of the 1960 Edition of the Laws, is hereby Repeal and savings repealed:

Provided that such repeal shall not affect any appointment made under the provisions of the said Act and any such appointment shall be deemed to have been made under the provisions of this Act.

47. Where, prior to the enactment of this Act, any Act given power to the High Court to make rules of court, any rules of court made by the Chief Justice in purported exercise of any such power shall be, and shall be deemed always to have been, as valid as if they had been made by the High Court in exercise of such power.

Validation of certain rules of court

SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION

HIGH COURT

CAP. 27

RULES MADE UNDER THE HIGH COURT ACT-CHAPTER 3 OF THE 1960 EDITION OF THE LAWS

(Section 15 of the Interpretation and General Provisions Act)

THE HIGH COURT RULES

Rules by the High Court Rules Committee

Government Notices

1. These Rules may be cited as the High Court Rules.

Title

2. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires-

Interpretation

"District Registry" means a District Registry directed to be established under section *thirty-nine* of the Act;

"legal practitioner" means a practitioner as defined by the Legal Practitioners Act;

Cap. 30

- "Principal Registry" means the office of the Registrar at Lusaka;
- "Probate Registry" means the branch of the Principal Registry that is set aside for the purpose of the exercise of probate jurisdiction;
- "proper officer" means the Registrar or any Deputy Registrar, District Registrar or Assistant Registrar and all Clerks to Judges and any other person especially appointed in that behalf by the Registrar;
- "Registrar" means the Registrar of the High Court, and includes a Deputy Registrar and a District Registrar;
- "Registry" includes the Principal Registry and a District Registry;
- "taxing master" means the Registrar of the High Court, a Deputy Registrar or a District Registrar;
- "taxing officer" means a taxing master or an Assistant Registrar empowered by rule made under section seven of the Act to tax bills of costs.

(As amended by Nos. 106 and 275 of 1959, No. 309 of 1960, No. 76 of 1962 and Act No. 71 of 1997)

3. Thes	se Rules are o	livided into the following Orders:	Orders
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0.1 ORDER I

GENERAL FORMS OF PROCESS. FEES, ETC.

1. The signature of a Judge or the Registrar, as the case may be, on any writ or process shall not be necessary in addition to sealing, unless signature is particularly prescribed by some law or rule of court.

Sealing of process

(No. 106 of 1959)

2. The forms in the First Schedule, or forms to the like effect, may be used in all matters, causes and proceedings to which they are applicable, with such variations as circumstances may require.

Forms

In proceedings for which forms are not provided in the First Schedule or prescribed by any Act or rules or orders of court, the Registrar may, subject to the approval of the Court, from time to time, frame the forms required, using as guides those which may have been provided.

Provision for additional

The fees specified in the Second Schedule shall be paid by the party at whose instance they are incurred, and may be afterwards recovered as costs of cause, if the Court or a Judge shall so order. The Court or a Judge may, on account of the poverty of any party, although such party may not have been formally admitted to sue or defend as a pauper, or for other sufficient reasons, dispense, if it or he sees fit, with the payment of any fees.

Fees

The court fees or any other fees payable under these Rules shall be paid by stamps, cash, postal or bank certified cheque.

Mode of payment of fees

(As amended by S.I. Nos. 71 and 88 of 1997).

The document on which a fee is to be paid shall be the document indicated in the Third Column of the Second Schedule, Parts 1 to 5. The fees shall be paid before the document is presented at the Registry or District Registry concerned, and unless so paid, the docu-ment shall not be accepted.

Acceptance of document on payment of fees

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

The proper officer of the court whose duty it is to receive any document shall Duty of officers ensure that a proper fee is paid on any document before accepting the same.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

8. (1) When any document not requiring to be paid for is inadvertently paid for or when the fees paid exceed those laid down in the Second Schedule, Parts 1 to 5 inclusive, or the document is not presented to or is not accepted for filing by the Court, the document may at the instance of the party by whom it was so paid for, be cancelled and substituted.

Refund of fees paid in certain cases

(2) The proper officer of the Court may refund the fees paid on any document O. 1. 2 cancelled under the provisions of sub-rule (1) to the party who paid the fees:

Provided that-

- the application is made to the proper officer of the Court within thirty days of the date of cancellation of such document; and
- (ii) the application is accompanied by the cancelled document which shall be attached by the proper officer of the Court to the voucher in support of the refund and shall henceforth be the property of the Government.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

- 9. Revoked by S.I. No. 71 of 1997.
- 10. Revoked by S.I. No. 71 of 1997.
- **11.** Except as otherwise provided by these Rules, costs shall be allowed to legal practitioners and taxed in accordance with the scale of costs set forth in the Third Schedule.

Scale of costs

(No. 165 of 1950)

ORDER II

COMPUTATION OF TIME

1. Where, by any section of the Act, or any order or rule of court, or any special order, or the course of the Court, any limited time from or after any date or event is appointed or allowed for the doing of any act or the taking of any proceeding, and such time is not limited by hours, the following rules shall apply:

How to be made

- (a) The limited time shall not include the day of the date or of the happening of the event, but shall commence at the beginning of the day next following that day.
- Commence-ment of a limited time
- (b) The act or proceeding must be done or taken at latest on the last day of the limited time.

When act to be done

(c) When the limited time is less than six days, the following days shall not be reckoned as part of the time, namely, Saturdays, Sundays and any public holidays.

Saturdays, Sundays and holidays

(a) When the time expires on one of those days, the act or proceeding shall be considered as done or taken in due time, if it is done or taken on the next day afterwards, not being one of those days.

Time expiring on Saturday, Sunday or holdiday

(As amended by S.I. No. 37 of 1964)

2. Parties may, by consent, enlarge or abridge any of the times fixed for taking any step, or filing any document, or giving any notice, in any suit. Where such consent cannot be obtained, either party may apply to the Court or a Judge for an order to effect the object sought to have been obtained with the consent of the other party, and such order may be made although the application for the order is not made until after the expiration of the time allowed or appointed.

O. 2, 3 Enlargement or abridgement of time

3. In any cause or matter in which there has been no proceeding for one year from the last proceeding had, the party who desires to proceed shall give one month's notice to the other party of his intention to proceed. A summons on which no order has been made shall not, but notice of trial although countermanded shall be deemed a proceeding within this rule.

Length of notice after delay of one year

(No. 106 of 1959)

4. Summonses may be issued and pleadings may be amended, delivered or filed during the last eleven days of the Michaelmas and Christmas vacations respectively, but pleadings shall not be amended, delivered or filed during any other part of such vacations unless by the direction of the Court or a Judge.

When pleadings may be delivered in the Michaelmas and Christmas vacations

(No. 309 of 1960)

5. Save as in the last preceding rule mentioned, the time of the Michaelmas and Christmas vacations in any year shall not be reckoned in the computation of times appointed or allowed in accordance with these Rules for amending, delivering or filing any pleadings unless otherwise directed by the Court or a Judge.

Michaelmas and Christmas vacations not generally to be reckoned in time for delivery, etc., of pleadings

(No. 309 of 1960)

ORDER III

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

1. The sittings of the Court for the hearing of causes and matters shall ordinarily be public; but the Court may, for a reason to be specified by it on the minutes, hear any particular cause or matter in the presence only of the parties, with their legal advisers, if any, and the officers of the Court.

Public or private sittings of Court

2. Subject to any particular rules, the Court or a Judge may, in all causes and matters, make any interlocutory order which it or he considers necessary for doing justice, whether such order has been expressly asked by the person entitled to the benefit of the order or not.

What orders to be made

3. The Registrar may transact all such business and exercise all such authority and jurisdiction in respect of the same as under the Act or these Rules may be transacted or exercise by a Judge at chambers, except in respect of the following proceedings and matters, that is to say:

Jurisdiction of Registrar
O. 3

- (a) All matters relating to criminal proceedings or to the liberty of the subject;
- (b) Appeals from District Registrars;
- (c) Injunctions;
- (a) Reviewing taxation of costs, save as provided in Order XL, rules 3 and 4.

(As amended by No. 309 of 1960)

4. The Registrar shall keep an account of all moneys received and all payments made by him in the performance of his duties, and, for the purpose of keeping the said account, shall cause to be opened at a bank, to be approved by the Court, an account to be called "The High Court Account", and payments of money into and out of such account shall be made in such manner and subject to such conditions as the Court may direct.

Registrar to open and keep banking account

5. Causes or matters pending in the Court may, by order of the Court or a Judge, be consolidated, and the Court or a Judge shall give any directions that may be necessary as to the conduct of the consolidated actions.

Consolidation of causes or matters

6. If, in any cause or matter, any accused person, party, witness or other person is unable to speak or understand the English language, the Court or a Judge may direct a fit and proper person to attend and interpret the proceedings so far as may be necessary. Before so interpreting, such person shall swear an oath in the following form:

Interpreter

"I swear that I will well and truly interpret and explanation make of all such matters and things as shall be required of me to the best of my skill and understanding. So help me God."

7. (1) When any fee has been paid in respect of a document, the officer authorised to receive the fee shall endorse an initial on the document stating the fee paid and the number of the receipt recording the payment.

Receipts

(2) The officer of the Court authorised to receive any fee for any matter or thing done or performed shall, before doing or performing such matter or thing, ensure that the proper fee is paid.

(As Amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

ORDER IV

O. 4, 5

EMPLOYMENT OF BARRISTERS AND ADVOCATES

1. A party suing or defending by a barrister or advocate in any cause or matter shall be at liberty to change his advocate in such cause or matter, without an order for that purpose, upon notice of such change being filed in the office of the Registrar. But, until such notice is filed and a copy served, the former advocate shall be considered the advocate of the party until final judgment, unless allowed by the Court or a Judge, for any special reason, to cease from acting therein; but such advocate shall not be bound, except under express agreement or unless re-engaged, to take any proceedings in relation to any appeal from such judgment.

Change of practitioners during the hearing of a cause or matter

2. (1) When it shall appear to the Court that any civil cause or matter has been commenced or carried on maliciously or without probable grounds, and the party by whom or on whose behalf such cause or matter has been so commenced or carried on has been represented therein by a barrister or advocate who had knowledge of such malice or lack of probable grounds, or if it shall appear that any barrister or advocate has, by any sort of deceit, induced his client to enter into or continue any litigation, every such barrister or advocate shall, on failure of his client to pay any costs which he may be ordered to pay, be liable, if the Court so orders, to pay the amount thereof to the party to whom costs are given. Such failure shall be deemed to have taken place if the client shall have refused or neglected to make payment after a demand has been made on him, although no process of execution may have been issued against him.

Liability to pay costs

(2) This rule shall not be construed to restrict the liability of any barrister or advocate in respect of the misconduct referred to in sub-rule (1) or any other misconduct for which he would otherwise be punishable.

ORDER V

EVIDENCE I-Exclusion of Witnesses

1. On the application of either party, or on its own motion, the Court may order witnesses on both sides to be kept out of court; but this rule does not extend to the parties themselves or to their professional representatives, although intended to be called as witnesses.

Ordering witnesses out of court

2. The Court may, during any trial, take such means as it considers necessary and proper for preventing communication with witnesses who are within the Court House or its precincts awaiting examination.

Preventing communication with witnesses

II-Documentary Evidence

O. 5

3. Entries in books of account, kept in the course of business with such a reasonable degree of regularity as shall be satisfactory to the Court or a Judge, shall be admissible in evidence whenever they refer to a matter into which the Court or a Judge has to inquire, but shall not alone be sufficient evidence to charge any person with liability.

Entries in books of account

4. The Government *Gazette* in Zambia and any Government *Gazette* of any Commonwealth Country may be proved by the bare production of the Government *Gazette*.

Government Gazettes

(As amended by S.I. No. 63 of 1964 and S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

5. All Proclamations, Acts of State, whether legislative or executive, nominations, appointments, and other official communications of the Government, appearing in any *Gazette* referred to in the last preceding rule may be proved by the production of such *Gazette*, and shall be *prima facie* proof of any fact of a public nature which they were intended to notify.

Proof of Proclamations, etc.

6. On matters of public history, literature, science or art, the Court or a Judge may refer, if it or he shall think fit, for the purposes of evidence, to such published books, maps or charts as the Court or a Judge shall consider to be of authority on the subject to which they relate.

Books of science, maps, charts, etc.

7. Books printed or published under the authority of the government of a foreign country and purporting to contain the statutes, code or other written law of such country, and also printed and published books of reports of the decisions of the courts of such country, and books proved to be commonly admitted in such courts as evidence of the law of such country, shall be admissible as evidence of the law of such country.

Foreign law

8. All maps made under the authority of any government or of any public municipal body, and not made for the purpose of any litigated question, shall *prima facie* be deemed to be correct, and shall be admitted in evidence without further proof.

Public maps

9. Whenever any book or other document is of such a public nature as to be admissible in evidence on its mere production from the proper custody, and no Act or statute exists which renders its contents provable by means of a copy, any copy thereof or extract therefrom shall be admissible in evidence, if it purports to be signed and certified as a true copy or extract by the officer to whose custody the original is entrusted.

Examined or certified copies of documents admissible in evidence

10. Any person, whether a party or not, in a cause or matter may be summoned to produce a document, without being summoned to give evidence; and, if he cause such document to be produced, the Court or a Judge may dispense with his personal attendance.

Production of documents without giving evidence

III-Affidavits O. 5

11. Before an affidavit is used in any proceeding for any purpose, the original shall be filed in the Court, and the original or an office copy shall alone be recognised for any purpose by the Court or a Judge.

Affidavits to be filed

12. An affidavit shall not be admitted which is proved to have been sworn before a person on whose behalf the same is offered, or before his Advocate, or before a partner or clerk of his Advocate.

Not to be sworn before certain persons

13. The Court or a Judge may permit an affidavit to be used notwithstanding it is defective in form according to these Rules, if the Court or a Judge is satisfied that it has been sworn before a person duly authorised.

Defective in form

14. A defective or erroneous affidavit may be amended and re-sworn, by leave of the Court or a Judge, on such terms as to time, costs or otherwise as seem reasonable.

Amendment and re-swearing

15. An affidavit shall not contain extraneous matter by way of objection or prayer or legal argument or conclusion.

No extraneous matter

16. Every affidavit shall contain only a statement of facts and circumstances to which the witness deposes, either of his own personal knowledge or from information which he believes to be true.

Contents of affidavits

17. When a witness deposes to his belief in any matter of fact, and his belief is derived from any source other than his own personal knowledge, he shall set forth explicitly the facts and circumstances forming the ground of his belief.

Grounds of belief to be stated

18. When the belief of a witness is derived from information received from another person, the name of his informant shall be stated, and reasonable particulars shall be given respecting the informant, and the time, place and circumstances of the information.

Informant to be named

19. Where any document referred to in an affidavit and exhibited thereto is a handwritten document other than a statement of account, book of account or extract therefrom, there shall also be exhibited therewith a typewritten or printed copy thereof certified in such affidavit to be a true and correct copy of the original.

Copies of exhibits

(No. 106 of 1959)

20. The following rules shall be observed by Commissioners and others before whom affidavits are taken:

Rules in taking affidavits

(a) Every affidavit taken in a cause or matter shall be headed in the Court and in the cause or matter.

To be properly entitled

Description of witness

(b) It shall state the full name, trade or profession, residence and nationality of the witness. It shall be in the first person and divided into convenient paragraphs, O. 5 (c) In first person numbered consecutively. Any erasure, interlineation or alteration made before the affidavit is sworn Erasures, etc., to be (a) attested shall be attested by the Commissioner, who shall affix his signature or initials in the margin immediately opposite to the interlineation, alteration or erasure. Where an affidavit proposed to be sworn is illegible or difficult to read, or is, If improperly written (e) in the judgment of the Commissioner, so written as to facilitate fraudulent alteration, he may refuse to swear the witness, and require the affidavit to be re-written in an unobjectionable manner. The affidavit shall be signed by the witness (or, if he cannot write, marked Witness to sign (1) by him with his mark in the presence of the Commissioner). Form of jurat The jurat shall be written, without interlineation, alteration or erasure (unless (g) the same be initialed by the Commissioner), immediately at the foot of the affidavit, and towards the left side of the paper, and shall be signed by the Commissioner. It shall state the date of the swearing and the place where it is sworn. Date and place It shall state that the affidavit was sworn before the Commissioner or other In presence of Commissioner officer taking the same. Illiterate or blind Where the witness is illiterate or blind, it shall state the fact, and that the witness affidavit was read over (or translated into his own language in the case of a witness not having sufficient knowledge of English), and that the witness appeared to understand it. Where the witness makes a mark instead of signing, the jurat shall state that fact, and that the mark was made in the presence of the Commissioner. Where two or more persons join in making an affidavit, their several names Joint affidavit shall be written in the jurat, and it shall appear by the jurat that each of them has been sworn to the truth of the several matters stated by him in the affidavit. If affidavit altered, to (h) The Commissioner shall not allow an affidavit, when sworn, to be altered in be re-sworn any manner without being re-sworn.

(i) If the jurat has been added and signed, the Commissioner shall add a new jurat on the affidavit being re-sworn; and, in the new jurat, he shall mention the alteration.

New jurat

The Commissioner may refuse to allow the affidavit to be re-sworn, and (j) may require a fresh affidavit.

New affidavit

The Commissioner may take, without oath, the declaration of any person (k) affirming that the taking of any oath whatsoever is, according to his religious belief, unlawful, or who, by reason of immature age or want of religious belief, ought not, in the opinion of the Commissioner, to be admitted to make a sworn affidavit. The Commissioner shall record in the attestation the reason of such declaration being taken without oath.

Declarations without 0.5

Every certificate on an exhibit referred to in an affidavit signed by the (1) Commissioner before whom the affidavit is sworn shall be marked with the short title of the cause or matter.

Certificate on exhibit

(As amended by No. 106 of 1959)

IV-Objections to Evidence

In every case, and at every stage thereof, any objection to the reception of When to be made evidence by a party affected thereby shall be made at the time the evidence is offered:

Provided that the Court may, in its discretion, on appeal, entertain any objection to evidence received in a subordinate court, though not objected to at the time it was offered.

(As amended by No. 218 of 1944)

22. Where a question proposed to be put to a witness is objected to, the Court or a Judge, unless the objection appears frivolous, shall, if required by either party, take a note of the question and objection, and mention on the notes whether the question was allowed to be put or not and, if put, the answer to it.

Where question objected to

Where a document is produced and tendered in evidence and rejected by the Court or a Judge, the document shall be marked as having been so tendered and rejected.

Marking of rejected documents

V-Taking of Evidence

24. In the absence of any agreement between the parties, and subject to these Rules, the witnesses at the trial or any suit shall be examined *viva voce* and in open court; but the Court may at any time, for sufficient reason, order that any particular fact or facts may be proved by affidavit, or that the affidavit of any witness may be read at the hearing or trial, on such conditions as the Court may think reasonable; or that any witness whose attendance in court ought, for some sufficient cause, to be dispensed with be examined by interrogatories or otherwise before an officer of the Court or other person:

Evidence of witnesses, how taken

Provided that, where it appears to the Court that the other party *bona fide* desires the production of a witness for cross-examination, and that such witness can be produced, an order shall not be made authorising the evidence of such witness to be given by affidavit.

25. In any suit, the Court may, in its discretion, if the interests of justice appear absolutely so to require (for reasons to be recorded in the minutes of the proceedings), admit an affidavit in evidence, although it is shown that the party against whom the affidavit is offered in evidence has had no opportunity of cross-examining the person making the affidavit.

O. 5 Admission of affidavits

26. The Court or a Judge may, in any suite where it shall appear necessary for the purpose of justice, make any order for the examination, before any officer of the Court or other person, and at any place, of any witness or person, and may order any deposition so taken to be filed in the Court, and may empower any party to any such suit to give such deposition in evidence therein on such terms, if any, as the Court or a Judge may direct.

Evidence on commission

27. Evidence on commission, when not directed to be taken upon interrogatories previously settled, shall be taken, as nearly as may be, as evidence at the hearing of a suit, and then the notes of the evidence shall be read over to the witness and be signed by him. If the witness refuses, the officer of the Court or other person shall add a note of his refusal, and the statement may be used as if he had signed it.

How to be taken

28. Evidence may be taken in like manner, on the application of any person, before suit instituted, where it is shown to the satisfaction of the Court or a Judge on oath that the person applying has good reason to apprehend that a suit will be instituted against him in the Court, and that some person within the jurisdiction at the time of the application can give material evidence respecting the subject of the apprehended suit, but that he is about to leave the jurisdiction, or that, from some other cause, the person applying will lose the benefit of his evidence if it be not at once taken; and the evidence so taken may be used at the hearing, subject to just exceptions:

Evidence before suit instituted

Provided always that the Court or a Judge may impose any terms or conditions with reference to the examination of such witness, and the admission of his evidence, as to the Court or a Judge may seem reasonable.

29. Any party desiring to give in evidence any deed or other instrument which shows upon the face of it that it has been duly executed may deliver to the opposite party, not less than four clear days before the return day, a notice in writing specifying the date and nature of and the parties to such deed or instrument, and requiring the opposite party to admit that the same was executed as it purports to have been, saving all just exceptions as to its admissibility, validity and contents; and if, at or before the hearing of the suit, the party so notified shall neglect or refuse to give such admission, the Court or a Judge may adjourn the hearing in order to enable the party tendering such deed or instrument to obtain proof of the due execution thereof, and, upon production of such proof, the Court or a Judge may order the costs of such proof to be paid by the party so neglecting or refusing, whether he be the successful party or not.

Facilities for proving deed, etc.
O. 5, 6

30. Where the Court or a Judge to which or to whom application is made for the issue of a commission for the examination of a person residing at a place not within Zambia is satisfied that the evidence of such person is necessary, the Court may issue such commission or a letter of request.

Commission or letter of request

31. The Court shall not issue any commission or letter of request abroad for the taking of evidence, unless and until the person applying for the issue of such commission or letter of request shall have paid into court by way of deposit, or shall have given approved security for, such sum as the Court or a Judge shall consider sufficient to cover the expenses incurred, or likely to be incurred, in connection with and in consequence of the grant of any such application.

Not to issue until sum deposited in court to cover cost thereof

ORDER VI

WRITS OF SUMMONS AND ORIGINATING PROCESS

1. (1) Except for petitions under the Constitution and Matri-monial Causes Acts and applications for writs of habeas corpus, every action in the Court shall, notwithstanding the provisions of any other written law, be commenced by writ of summons endorsed with or accompanied by a full statement of claim.

Commencement of proceedings

- (2) The Court shall not issue any writ of summons which is not endorsed with or accompanied by a full statement of claim.
- (3) The proper officer shall seal with the official seal the writs of summons and the statement of claim where such statement of claim is on a separate sheet and shall return the copies to the person commencing the action.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

2. Every writ of summons shall be in the appropriate form as set out in the First Schedule with such variations as circumstances may require.

Form of writ of summons

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

3. Every writ of summons shall bear the date on the day on which it shall be issued, and shall be tested in the name of the Chief Justice or, if the office of the Chief Justice be vacant, in the name of the Judge or other person appointed to perform the functions of the Chief Justice.

Writs to be tested

(No. 106 of 1959 as amended by No. 309 of 1960, S.I. No. 63 of 1964 and S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

4. Every writ of summons shall be endorsed with a statement of the nature of the claim made, or of the relief or remedy required and shall, subject to the other provisions of these Rules, state a time (to be fixed by the Registrar) within which appearance must be entered by the party sued or to be served.

O. 6 Endorsement of writ of summons

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

5. No writ of summons shall be issued unless the proper fees have been paid.

Payment of fees

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

6. (1) Whenever the plaintiff's claim is for a debt or liquidated demand only, the endorsement, besides stating the nature of the claim, shall state the amount claimed for debt or in respect of such demand, and for costs respectively, and shall further state that the defendant can pay the amount claimed and costs-

Endorsement where claim is liquidated

- (a) into Court if the plaintiff or one of the two or more co-plaintiffs is resident ouside Zambia or is acting by order or on behalf of a person so resident, or if the defendant is making the payment by order or on behalf of a person so resident; or
- (b) in all other cases to the plaintiff, his advocate or agent; and that the payment shall be made within the time allowed for appearance, and that upon such payment further proceedings will be stayed:

Provided that where the defendant pays the amount into Court under this rule he shall give notice of the payment to the plaintiff, his advocate or agent, in Form 17 set out in the First Schedule.

- (2) The endorsement for costs required by sub-rule (1) shall be as set out in Form 4 in the First Schedule.
- (3) The defendant may, notwithstanding a payment under this rule, have the costs taxed, and if more than one-sixth shall be disallowed, the plaintiff's advocate shall pay the costs of taxation.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

7. Every writ of summons shall be sealed by the proper officer and shall thereupon be deemed to be issued.

Sealing

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

8. The plaintiff or his advocate shall, on presenting any writ or summons for sealing, leave with the proper officer a copy, written or printed or partly written and partly printed of the writ and all the endorsement thereto, and the copy shall be signed by or for the advocate, or by the plaintiff himself if he is proceeding in person.

Procedure on sealing

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

9. The proper officer receiving the copy shall file it and an entry of the filing thereof shall be made in a book to be called the Civil Causes Register, which is to be kept in the manner which civil causes registers are now kept, and the action shall be distinguished by the date of the year, the letters and a number, in the manner in which causes are now distinguished in such registers.

O. 6, 7 Filing and marking

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

10. Every action shall, upon being commenced, be assigned to a Judge who shall be responsible to monitor its pace and eventually hear the cause.

Assignment of cause on filing to trial Judge

(No. 106 of 1959 as amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

ORDER VII

(No. 106 of 1959)

ENDORSEMENT OF ADDRESS

1. (1) The advocate of a plaintiff suing by an advocate shall endorse upon the writ of summons-

Where the plaintiff sues by advocate

- (a) the address of the plaintiff;
- (b) his own name or firm and his own place of business and the postal address thereof: and
- (c) if his place of business and postal address or either of them be more than ten kilometres from the Registry at which the writ is issued, a proper place and postal address or either of them, as the case may require, which shall be not more than ten kilometres from such Registry;

and either of the addresses which are not more than ten kilometres from such Registry shall be his address for service for the purposes of these Rules.

(2) Where any such advocate is only agent of another advocate, he shall, in addition to the matters set out in sub-rule (1), add the name or firm and place of business of the principal advocate.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

2. (1) A plaintiff suing in person shall endorse upon the writ of summons his place of residence, his postal address and his occupation.

Where plaintiff sues in person

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(2) If his place of residence and postal address are not more than ten kilometres 0.7, 8 from the Registry at which the writ is issued, either of such addresses shall be an address for service for the purposes of these Rules, and if his place of residence and postal address or either of them be more than ten kilometres from such Registry, or if he has no place of residence or postal address, the plaintiff shall also endorse on the writ of summons a proper place and postal address or either of them, as the case may require, which shall not be more than ten kilometres from such Registry and either of the addresses within the limit aforesaid shall in such case be his address for service.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

An address for service shall be an address where notices, pleadings, orders, summonses, warrants and other documents, proceedings and written communications, if not required to be served personally, may be left for or posted to the plaintiff or his advocate, as the case may be.

Address for service

4. Where notice of a writ of summons is to be served on a defendant in pursuance of Order X, rule 18, the endorsements required by the preceding rules of this Order shall be made both on the writ and on the notice.

Where notice is served in lieu of writ

Where proceedings are commenced otherwise than by writ of summons, the preceding rules of this Order shall apply to the process by which the proceedings are originated as they apply to a writ of summons.

Proceedings not commenced by writ

ORDER VIII

(No. 106 of 1959)

CONCURRENT WRITS

The plaintiff in any action may, at any time of or at any time during twelve months after the issuing of the original writ of summons, issue one or more concurrent writ or writs, each concurrent writ to bear teste of the same day as the original writ, and to be marked with a seal bearing the word "concurrent" and the date of issuing the concurrent writ; and such seal shall be impressed upon the writ by the proper officer:

Concurrent writ, how

Provided always that such concurrent writ or writs shall only be in force for the period during which the original writ in such action shall be in force.

2. A concurrent originating summons may be issued in the same manner, mutatis mutandis, as a concurrent writ of summons.

Concurrent originating summons

A writ for service within the jurisdiction may be issued and marked as a concurrent writ with one for service, or whereof notice in lieu of service is to be given, out of the jurisdiction; and a writ for service or whereof notice in lieu of service is to be given, out of the jurisdiction, may be issued and marked as a concurrent writ with one for service within the jurisdiction.

Concurrent writs for service within and without the jurisdiction

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4. An originating summons for service within the jurisdiction may be issued and marked as a concurrent originating summons with one for service out of the jurisdiction; and an originating summons for service out of the jurisdiction may be issued and marked as a concurrent originating summons with one for service within the jurisdiction.

O. 8, 9, 10 Concurrent originating summons for service within and without the jurisdiction

ORDER IX

(No. 106 of 1959)

RENEWAL OF WRIT

1. No original writ of summons shall be in force, for more than twelve months from the day of the date thereof, including the day of such date; but if any defendant therein named shall not have been served therewith the plaintiff may, before the expiration of the twelve months, apply to the Court or a Judge for leave to renew the writ; and the Court or Judge if satisfied that reasonable efforts have been made to serve such defendant, or for other good reasons, may order that the original or concurrent writ of summons be renewed for six months from the date of such renewal inclusive, and so from time to time during the currency of the renewed writ. And the writ shall in such case be renewed by being marked with the seal of the Court and bearing the date of the day, month and year of such renewal; such seal to be impressed upon the writ by the proper officer, upon delivery to him by the plaintiff or his Advocate of a memorandum in Form 12 in the First Schedule, with such variations as circumstances may require; and a writ of summons so renewed shall remain in force and be available to prevent the operation of any statute whereby the time for the commencement of the action may be limited, and for all other purposes, from the date of the issuing of the original writ of summons.

Original writ in force for 12 months. Renewal seal

2. The production of a writ of summons purporting to be marked with the seal of the Court, showing the same to have been renewed in manner aforesaid, shall be sufficient evidence of its having been so renewed, and of the commencement of the action as of the first date of such renewed writ for all purposes.

Effect of renewal

ORDER X

SERVICE OF PROCESS

1. (1) Personal service of a petition, notice, summons, order or other document, of which service is required may be made by any person.

Service may be effected by any person

(2) Any person serving any document shall, on the request of the party served, explain to such party the contents of such document.

Document to be explained.

(3) Any person serving a writ of summons or other originating process, default of appearance to which would, under Order X11, entitle the plaintiff to enter final judgment, shall request the party served to acknowledge receipt by signing on the original or other copy of the process or on some other document tendered for the purpose, and the fact of any refusal to sign shall be so endorsed by the person serving.

O. 10 Acknowledgement of service

(S.I. No. 37 of 1964 and S.I. No. 30 of 1984)

2. (1) All writs, notices, pleadings, orders, summonses, warrants and other documents, proceedings and written communications, in respect of which personal service is not requisite, shall be sufficiently served if left at the address for service of the person to be served, as defined by Orders VII and XI, with any person resident at or belonging to such place, or if posted in a prepaid registered envelope addressed to the person to be served at the postal address for service as aforesaid:

Mode and time of service, where not personal

Provided that, where service under this rule is made by registered post, the time at which the document so posted would be delivered in the ordinary course of post shall be considered as the time of service thereof.

(2) This rule does not apply in the case of documents for which special provisions for service have been made by any written law.

(As amended by No. 106 of 1959 S.I. No. 63 of 1964)

3. Where personal service of any writ, notice, pleading, summons, order, warrant or other document, proceeding or written communication is required and it is made to appear to the Court or a Judge that prompt personal service cannot be effected, the Court or a Judge may make such order for substituted or other service, or for the substitution for service of notice by letter, public advertisement or otherwise, as may be just. Every application to the Court or a Judge for an order to be made under this rule shall be supported by an affidavit setting forth the grounds upon which the application is made.

Substituted service

(As amended by No. 106 of 1959)

4. Where a party, after having sued or appeared in person, has given notice in writing to the opposite party or his advocate, through a advocate, that such advocate is authorised to act in the cause or matter on his behalf, all writs, notices, pleadings, summonses, orders, warrants and other documents, proceedings and written communications, which ought to be delivered to or served upon the party on whose behalf the notice is given, shall thereafter be delivered to or served upon such advocate. Such notice shall contain all the particulars required from an advocate by Order VII or XI, as the case may be.

Service upon advocate of party formerly appearing in person

(As amended by No. 106 of 1959)

5. Personal service of the writ on the defendant shall not be required where the defendant's advocate undertakes in writing to accept service on behalf of the defendant.

O. 10 Service of writ of summons

(As amended by No. 109 of 1994)

6. Where service is personal, the document to be served shall be delivered to the person to be served himself. Service shall be completely effected by the delivery of a duplicate or attested copy of any document, without the exhibition of any original.

Personal service

7. Where no appearance has been entered for a party, or where a party or his advocate, as the case may be, has omitted to give an address for service, all writs, notices, pleadings, orders, summonses, warrants and other documents, proceedings and written communications in respect of which personal service is not requisite may be served by filing them with the Registrar.

Service where no appearance or no address for service

8. An order for service may be varied, from time to time, with respect to the mode of service directed by the order.

Varying order of service

9. Service in a civil cause shall not be made on Sunday, Good Friday or Christmas Day.

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10. When the party to be served is in the service of the Government, the Registrar may transmit a duplicate of the document to be served to the head officer of the department in which such party is employed, for the purpose of being served on him, if it shall appear to the Court or a Judge that it may be most conveniently so served, and such head officer shall cause the same to be served on the proper party accordingly.

Service on Government officers

11. (1) Where partners are sued in the name of their firm, the writ or other document shall be served either upon any one or more of the partners, or at the principal place within the jurisdiction of the business of the partnership upon any person having, at the time of the service, the control or management of the partnership business there; and such service shall be deemed good service upon the firm.

On partners

- (2) Where a writ is issued against a firm, every person upon whom it is served shall be informed by notice in writing given at the time of such service whether he is served as a partner or as a person having the control or management of the partnership business, or in both characters. In default of such notice, the person served shall be deemed to be served as a partner.
- (3) Service of a writ or other court process on a body corporate other than a company shall be effected on any office bearer.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

12. Where the person on whom service is to be effected is a prisoner in a prison, it shall be sufficient service to deliver the writ or document at the prison to the gaoler or person appearing to be the head officer in charge thereof, who shall cause the same to be served on such prisoner.

O. 10 On prisoner

13. Where the person on whom service is to be effected is employed and dwells in any lunatic or other public asylum or in any prison, it shall be sufficient service to deliver the writ or document to the gatekeeper or lodgekeeper of such asylum or prison, who shall cause the same to be served on such person.

On person in asylum or prison

14. Where the suit is against a defendant residing out of but carrying on business within the jurisdiction in his own name, or under the name of a firm, through an authorised agent, and such suit is limited to a cause of action which arose within the jurisdiction, the writ or document may be served by giving it to such agent, and such service shall be equivalent to personal service on the defendant.

Where defendant resides out of but carries on business within jurisdiction

15. Service out of the jurisdiction of a writ of summons, originating summons or originating notice of motion, or of a notice of such writ of summons, originating summons or notice of motion may be allowed by the Court or a Judge whenever-

When service out of the jurisdiction allowed

- (a) The whole subject-matter of the action is land situate within the jurisdiction (with or without rents or profits), or the perpetuation of testimony relating to land within the jurisdiction; or
- (b) Any act, deed, will, contract, obligation, or liability affecting land or hereditaments situate within the jurisdiction, is sought to be construed, rectified, set aside, or enforced in the action or matter; or
- (c) Any relief is sought against any person domiciled or ordinarily resident within the jurisdiction; or
- (a) The action is for the administration of the personal estate of any deceased person, who at the time of his death was domiciled within the jurisdiction, or for the execution (as to property situate within the jurisdiction) of the trusts of any written instrument, of which the person to be served is a trustee, which ought to be executed according to the law of Zambia; or
- (e) The action is one brought to enforce, rescind, dissolve, annual or otherwise affect a contract or to recover damages or other relief for or in respect of the breach of a contract-
 - (i) made within the jurisdiction; or
 - (ii) made by or through an agent trading or residing within the jurisdiction on behalf of a principal trading or residing out of the jurisdiction; or

- (iii) by its terms or by implication to be governed by Zambian law;
- or it is one brought in respect of a breach committed within the jurisdiction of a contract wherever made, even though such breach was preceded or accompanied by a breach out of the jurisdiction which rendered impossible the performance of the part of the contract which ought to have been

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(f) The action is founded on a tort committed within the jurisdiction; or

performed within the jurisdiction; or

- (g) Any injunction is sought as to anything to be done within the jurisdiction, or any nuisance within the jurisdiction is sought to be prevented or removed, whether damages are or are not also sought in respect thereof; or
- (h) Any person out of the jurisdiction is a necessary or proper party to an action properly brought against some other person duly served within the jurisdiction; or
- (i) The action is by a mortgagee or mortgagor in relation to a mortgage of personal property situate within the jurisdiction and seeks relief of the nature or kind following, that is to say, sale, foreclosure, delivery of possession by the mortgagor, redemption, re-conveyance, delivery of possession by the mortgagee; but does not seek (unless and except so far as permissible under paragraph (e)) any personal judgment or order for payment of any moneys due under the mortgage.

(No. 218 of 1944 as amended by S.I. No. 63 of 1964)

16. An application for leave to issue for service out of the jurisdiction a writ of summons, originating summons, or originating notice of motion or a concurrent writ of summons, originating summons or originating notice of motion may be made *ex parte* to the Court or a Judge on deposit of the writ, summons or notice with the Registrar together with an affidavit in support of such application. The affidavit shall state-

Application for leave to serve out of jurisdiction

- (a) the grounds upon which the application is made and the facts which bring the plaintiff's case within the class in respect of which service out of the jurisdiction may be allowed;
- (b) that the deponent is advised and believes that the plaintiff has a good cause of action or right to relief:
- (c) in what place or country the defendant resides or probably may be found;
- (a) whether the defendant is a citizen of Zambia or not.

(No. 218 of 1944 as amended by S.I. No. 63 of 1964)

17. Substituted service out of the jurisdiction of a writ, summons or notice issued for service within the jurisdiction cannot be ordered but if a concurrent writ, summons or notice for service out of the jurisdiction is issued then substituted service out of the jurisdiction of such concurrent writ, summons or notice may be allowed. A writ, summons or notice issued for service out of the jurisdiction may be ordered to be served by substituted service whether outside the jurisdiction or within the jurisdiction and either with or without the issue of any concurrent writ, summons or notice.

O. 10 Substituted service out of the jurisdiction

(No. 218 of 1944)

18. Where a writ of summons, originating summons or originating notice of motion is issued for service out of the jurisdiction upon a person not being a citizen of Zambia, notice thereof and not the originating process itself shall be served upon such person.

Service on foreign person in foreign country

(No. 218 of 1944 as amended by S.I. No. 63 of 1964)

19. Where the officer of Court or person charged with the service of any writ or document on any person is prevented by the violence or threats of such person, or any other person in concert with him, from personally serving the writ or document, it shall be sufficient to inform the person to be served of the nature of the writ or document, and to leave the writ or document as near such person as is practicable.

Where violence threatened

20. In all cases where service of any writ or document shall have been effected by a bailiff or other officer of Court, a certificate of service in Form 14 in the First Schedule signed by such bailiff or other officer shall, on production, without proof of signature, be *prima facie* evidence of service.

Certificate of service

(As amended by No. 106 of 1959)

21. In all cases the bailiff or other officer of Court charged with the service of any particular process shall not later than fourteen days after the receipt of the process render a return in Form 16 in the First Schedule to the Court in duplicate and the duplicate thereof shall thereupon be despatched by the proper officer to the party requiring the same to be served, or his Advocates, specifying whether the same has been served and, if not, giving reasons why the same has not been so served.

Return

22. The person serving a writ of summons shall, within three days at most after such service, endorse on the writ the day of the month and week of the service thereof, otherwise the plaintiff shall not be at liberty (except where service shall have been effected by an officer of the Court appointed under Part VIII of the Act) in case of non-appearance to proceed by default; and every affidavit of service of such writ shall mention the day on which such endorsement was made. This rule shall apply to substituted as well as other service.

Endorsement on service O.10

(No. 106 of 1959)

(No. 106 of 1959)

23. Where, in any civil or commercial matter pending before a court or tribunal of a foreign county, a letter of request from such court or tribunal for service on any person within the jurisdiction of any process or citation in such matter is transmitted to the Minister responsible for foreign affairs and such Minister considers that it is desirable that effect should be given to the same, the following procedure shall be adopted:

Transmission of letter of request

(a) The letter of request for service shall be accompanied by a translation thereof in the English language, and by two copies of the process or citation to be served and two copies thereof in the English language, and shall be transmitted to the Court by the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs:

Translation required

(b) Service of the process or citation shall be effected by an officer of the Court:

Service by officer of the Court

(c) Such service shall be effected by delivering to and leaving with the person to be served one copy of the process to be served and one copy of the translation thereof, in accordance with the rules and practice of the Court regulating service of process;

Service, how to be effected

(d) After service has been effected the process server shall return to the Registrar one copy of the process, together with the evidence of service by affidavit of the person effecting the service verified by a person empowered to take oaths, and particulars of charges for the cost of effecting such service:

Report of service to Registrar

(e) The particulars of charges for the cost of effecting service shall be submitted to the taxing master of the Court, who shall certify the correctness of the charges or such other amount as shall be properly payable for the cost of effecting service;

Taxing master to certify charges

(f) The Registrar shall forward to the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, for transmission to the foreign country concerned, the letter of request for service received from the foreign country together with the evidence of service, with a certificate appended thereto in Form 49 in the First Schedule, with such variations as circumstances may require, duly sealed with the seal of the Court; Letter of request to be returned to Ministry of Foreign Affairs

(g) Upon the application of the Attorney-General, the Court or a Judge may make all such orders for substituted service or otherwise as may be necessary to give effect to the above procedure. Substituted service

(As amended by S.I. No. 63 of 1964)

24. Where, in any civil or commercial matter pending before a court or tribunal in any foreign country with which a Convention in that behalf has been or shall be made and applied to the Republic, a request for service of any document on a person in Zambia is received by the Court from the consular or other authority of such country, the following procedure shall, subject to any special provisions contained in the Convention, be adopted:

O. 10, 11 Service of foreign documents in Zambia

- (a) The service shall be effected by the delivery of the original or a copy of the document, as indicated in the request, and a copy of the translation to the party or person to be served in person by an officer of the Court;
- (b) No court fees shall be charged in respect of this service. The particulars of charges of the officer employed to effect service shall be submitted to the taxing master of the Court, who shall certify the amount properly payable in respect thereof:
- (c)The Registrar shall transmit to the consular or other authority making the request a certificate establishing the fact and the date of service in person, or indicating the reason for which it has not been possible to effect it, and, at the same time, shall notify to the said consular or other authority the amount of the charges certified under paragraph (b).

ORDER XI Appearance

(No. 106 of 1959)

1. (1) A defendant shall enter appearance to a writ of summons by delivering to the proper officer sufficient copies of memorandum of appearance in writing dated on the day of their delivery, and containing the name of the defendant's advocate, or stating that the defendant is defending in person. The defendant shall at the same time deliver to the proper officer sufficient copies of the defence and counter claim if any:

Mode of entering appearance

Provided that before delivering the memorandum and defence, the defendant shall be at liberty to apply for further and better particulars of the statement of claim within the period specified for delivery of the memorandum and defence.

- (2) A memorandum of appearance not accompanied by a defence shall not be accepted.
- (3) The proper officer shall seal the memorandum of appearance and defence and shall return the copies to the person filing them for service upon the plaintiff.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

2. (1) In the case of a defendant desiring to enter the appearance in person, the defendant may, in lieu of delivering to the proper officer the memorandum of appearance and defence, enter the appearance through the post by sending to the proper officer by pre-paid registered letter-

O. 11 Appearance by post

- (a) sufficient copies of the memorandum of appearance duly completed;
- (b) sufficient copies of the defence and counter claim, if any; and
- (c) two envelopes each sufficiently stamped, one addressed to the plaintiff's advocate or to the plaintiff if he sues in person at the postal address for service, and the other addressed to the postal address of the defendant entering the appearance.
- (2) On receipt of these documents the proper officer shall forthwith enter the appearance as of the date of receipt of the memorandum of appearance and defence and shall seal them with the official seal showing the date on which they are sealed and shall post a copy to the defendant:

Provided that no appearance shall be accepted which is received out of time.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

3. (1) A defendant shall, on the day of entering the appearance to a writ of	Notice of appearance
summons, give notice of the appearance to the plaintiff's advocate or if a plaintiff sues in	
person, to the plaintiff by:	

- (a) leaving copies of the sealed memorandum of appearance and defence at the address given for service: or
- (b) sending the copies of the memorandum of appearance and defence by pre-paid letter directed to the postal address for service and posted on the date of entering the appearance in due course of post.
- (2) Sub-rule (1) shall not apply to a defendant entering an appearance in person through the post under rule 2.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

4. (1) The advocate of a defendant appearing by advocate shall state in the memorandum of appearance-

Defendant's address for service

- (a) his own place of business and the postal address thereof; and
- (b) if his place of business and postal address or either of them be more than ten kilometres from the Registry in which the cause or matter is pending, a proper place and postal address or either of them, as the case may require, which shall be not more than ten kilometres from such Registry;

and either of the addresses which are not more than ten kilometres from such Registry shall be his address for service for the purposes of these Rules.

(2) Where any such advocate is only agent of another advocate, he shall, in addition to the matters set out in sub-rule (1), add the name or firm and place of business of the principal Advocate.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

5. (1) A defendant appearing in person shall state in the memorandum of appearance his place of residence and postal address. When defendant appears in person

(2) If his place of residence and postal address are not more than ten kilometres from the Registry in which the cause or matter is pending, either of such addresses shall be an address for service for the purposes of these Rules and if his place of residence and postal address or either of them be more than ten kilometres from such Registry, or if he has no place of residence or postal address, the defendant shall also state in the memorandum of appearance a proper place and postal address or either of them, as the case may require, which shall not be more than ten kilometres from such Registry and either of the addresses within the limit aforesaid shall in such case be an address for service.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

6. If the memorandum does not contain such address it shall not be received; and if any such address shall be illusory or fictitious, the appearance may be set aside by the Court or a Judge, on the application of the plaintiff.

Memorandum irregular, address fictitious

7. An address for service shall be an address where notices, pleadings, orders, summonses, warrants and other documents, proceedings and written communications, if not required to be served personally, may be left for or posted to the defendant or his Advocate, as the case may be.

Address for service

8. The memorandum of appearance shall be in Form 18 in the First Schedule, with such variations as circumstances may require.

Memorandum of appearance

9. Upon receipt of a memorandum of appearance, the proper officer shall forthwith enter the appearance in the Civil Causes Register.

Officer to enter memorandum

10. Where persons are sued as partners in the name of their firm, they shall appear individually in their own names; but all subsequent proceedings shall, nevertheless, continue in the name of the firm.

Appearance of partners

11. Where a writ is served under Order X, rule 11 (2), upon a person having the control or management of the partnership business, no appearance by him shall be necessary unless he is a member of the firm sued.

O. 11 No appearance except by partners

12. Any person served as a partner under Order X, rule 11, but who denies that he was a partner or liable as such at any material time, may enter an appearance stating therein that he does so as "a person served as a partner in the defendant firm, but who denies that he was a partner at any material time". Such appearance as long as it stands shall be treated as an appearance for the firm. If an appearance is so entered (A) the plaintiff may apply to set it aside on the ground that the person entering it was a partner or liable as such, or may leave that question to be determined at a later stage of the proceedings; or (B) the person entering the appearance may apply to set aside the service on him on the ground that he was not a partner or liable as such; or he may at the proper time deliver a defence denying either or both (1) his liability as a partner, (2) the liability of the defendant firm in respect of the plaintiff's claim. An order may, on the application of either party at any time, be made that the questions as to the liability of the person served and the liability of the defendant firm may be tried in such manner and at such time or times as the Court or a Judge may think fit.

Appearance under protest of person served as partner

13. If two or more defendants in the same action shall appear by the same advocate and at the same time, the names of all the defendants so appearing shall be inserted in one memorandum.

Defendants appearing by same advocate

14. A advocate not entering an appearance in pursuance of his written undertaking so to do shall be liable to an attachment.

Advocate not entering appearance

15. A defendant may appear at any time before judgment.

Time of appearance

16. Any person not named as a defendant in a writ of summons for the recovery of land may, by leave of the Court or a Judge, appear and defend, on filing an affidavit showing that he is in possession of the land either by himself or by his tenant.

Recovery of land

17. Any person appearing to defend an action for the recovery of land as landlord, in respect of property whereof he is in possession only by his tenant, shall state in his appearance that he appears as landlord.

Landlord appearing

18. Where a person not named as defendant in any writ of summons for the recovery of land has obtained leave of the Court or a Judge to appear and defend, he shall enter an appearance, according to the foregoing rules of this Order, intituled in the action against the party named in the writ as defendant, and shall forthwith give notice of such appearance to the plaintiff's advocate, or to the plaintiff if he sues in person, and shall in all subsequent proceedings be named as a party defendant to the action.

Recovery of land, person not named defendant

19. Any person appearing to a writ of summons for the recovery of land shall be at liberty to limit his defence to a part only of the property mentioned in the writ, describing that part with reasonable certainty in his memorandum of appearance, or in a notice intituled in the action and signed by him or his advocate. Such notice shall be served within four days after appearance; and an appearance, where the defence is not limited as above mentioned, shall be deemed an appearance to defend for the whole.

O. 11, 12 Recovery of land limiting defence

20. The notice mentioned in rule 19 shall be in Form 19 in the First Schedule, with Form of notice such variations as circumstances may require.

21. A defendant before appearing shall be at liberty, without obtaining an order to enter or entering a conditional appearance, to take out a summons or serve notice of motion to set aside the service upon him of the writ or of notice of the writ, or to discharge the order authorising such service.

Motion to set aside

22. The parties served with an originating summons shall, save as otherwise provided, before they are heard, enter appearances, and give notice thereof. A party so served may appear at any time before the hearing of the summons. If he appears at any time after the time limited by the summons for appearance he shall not, unless the Court or a Judge shall otherwise order, be entitled to any further time for any purpose, than if he had appeared according to the summons.

Appearance to originating summons

ORDER XII

DEFAULT OF APPEARANCE

1. (1) Where the writ of summons is endorsed for a liquidated demand, and the defendant fails, or all the defendants if more than one, the plaintiff may enter final judgment for any sum not exceeding the sum endorsed on the writ together with interest at the rate specified, if any, to the date of the judgment and costs, upon an affidavit or certificate, as the case may be, of due service being filed.

Liquidated demand endorsed. First Schedule, Form 30

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

(2) Where the writ of summons is endorsed for a liquidated demand and there are several defendants, of whom one or more appear to the writ, and another or others of them fail to appear, the plaintiff may enter final judgment, as in sub-rule (1), against such as have not appeared and may issue execution upon the judgment without prejudice to his right to proceed with the action against those that have appeared.

Liquidated demand. Several defendants

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

(3) Where the writ of summons is endorsed with a claim of pecuniary damages only, or for detention of goods with or without a claim of pecuniary damages, and the defendant fails, or all the defendants, if more than one, fail to appear, the plaintiff may enter interlocutory judgment, and a writ of inquiry shall issue to assess the value of the goods and the damages, or the damages only, as the case may be, in respect of the causes of action disclosed by the endorsement on writ of summons:

Damages or detention of goods O. 12

Provided that the Court or a Judge may order particulars to be filed before any assessment of damages, and may order that, instead of a writ of inquiry, the value and amount of damages, or either or them, shall be ascertained in any way which the Court or Judge may direct.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

(4) Where the writ is endorsed as in the last preceding sub-rule mentioned, and there are several defendants, of whom one or more appear to the writ and another or others of them fail to appear, the plaintiff may sign interlocutory judgment against the defendant or defendants so failing to appear, and the value of the goods and the damages, or either of them, as the case may be, may be assessed, as against the defendant or defendants suffering judgment by default, at the same time as the trial of the action or issue therein against the other defendant or defendants, unless the Court or a Judge shall otherwise direct:

Damages or detention of goods. Several defendants

Provided that the Court or a Judge may order that, instead of a writ of inquiry or trial, the value and amount of damages, or either of them, shall be ascertain in any way which the Court or a Judge may direct.

(5) Where the writ is endorsed with a claim for pecuniary damages only, or for detention of goods with or without a claim for pecuniary damages, and is further endorsed for a liquidated demand, whether specially or otherwise, and any defendant fails to appear to the writ, the plaintiff may enter final judgment for the debt or liquidated demand, interest and costs against the defendant or defendants failing to appear, and interlocutory judgment for the value of the goods and the damages, or the damages only, as the case may be, and proceed as mentioned in such of the preceding sub-rules as may be applicable.

Damages, detention of goods and liquidated demand

(6) In case no appearance shall be entered in an action for the recovery of land within the time limited by the writ for appearance, or if an appearance be entered but the defence be limited to part only, the plaintiff shall be at liberty to enter a judgment that the person whose title is asserted in the writ shall recover possession of the land, or of the part thereof to which the defence does not apply.

Recovery of land

(7) Where the plaintiff has endorsed a claim for mesne profits, arrears of rent, double value, or damages for breach of contract or wrong or injury to the premises claimed, upon a writ for the recovery of land, he may enter judgment as in the last preceding sub-rule mentioned for the land; and may proceed as in the other proceding sub-rules mentioned as to such other claim so endorsed.

Mense profits O. 12, 13

(8) In all actions not otherwise specifically provided for by the other sub-rules, in case the party served with the writ of summons does not appear within the time limited for appearance, upon the filing by the plaintiff of a proper affidavit or certificate of service, the action may proceed as if such party had appeared.

Default of appearance in actions not otherwise specifically provided for

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

(9) In any action in which the plaintiff is claiming any relief of the nature or kind specified in Order XXX, rule 14, no judgment shall be entered in default of appearance without the leave of the Court or a Judge who may require the application for leave to be supported by such evidence as might be required if relief were being sought on originating summons under Order XXX, rule 14, and may require notice of such evidence to be given to the defendant and to such other person (if any) as the Court or a Judge may think proper.

Default of appearance to proceedings under O. 30, r. 14

(As amended by No. 218 of 1944, No. 106 of 1959 and S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

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2. Where judgment is entered pursuant to the provisions of this Order, it shall be lawful for the Court or a Judge to set aside or vary such judgment upon such terms as may be just.

Setting aside judgment by default

ORDER XIII

LEAVE TO SIGN JUDGMENT AND DEFEND WHERE WRIT SPECIALLY ENDORSED

1. Where the defendant appears to a writ of summons specially endorsed under rule 9 of Order VI, the plaintiff may, on affidavit made by himself, or by any other person who can swear positively to the facts, verifying the cause of action and the amount claimed (if any), and stating that in his belief there is no defence to the action, apply to the Court or a Judge for liberty to enter final judgment for the amount so endorsed, together with interest, if any, or for recovery of the land (with or without rent or mesne profits) or for the delivering up of a specific chattel, as the case may be, and costs. The Court or a Judge may thereupon, unless the defendant by affidavit, by his own *viva voce* evidence or otherwise shall satisfy him that he has a good defence to the action on the merits, or disclose such facts as may be deemed sufficient to entitle him to defend, make an order empowering the plaintiff to enter judgment accordingly.

Summary judgment on specially endorsed writ O 14

(As amended by No. 218 of 1944)

2. The application by the plaintiff for leave to enter final judgment under rule 1 shall be made by summons returnable not less than four clear days after service, accompanied by a copy of the affidavit and exhibits referred to therein.

O. 13, 14
Four day summons for leave to sign judgment.
FirstSchedule, Form 22

3. Where leave, whether conditional or unconditional, is given to defend, the Court or a Judge shall have power to give all such directions as to the further conduct of the action as might be given on a summons for directions under Order XIX, and may order the action to be forthwith set down for trial.

Court may treat summons for directions

4. (1) The costs of and incident to all applications under rule 1 shall be dealt with by the Registrar on the hearing of the application, who shall order by and to whom and when the same shall be paid, or may refer them to the Judge at the trial:

Costs under rule 1

Provided that, in case no trial afterwards takes place, or no order as to costs is made, the costs are to be costs in the cause.

(2) If the plaintiff makes an application under rule 1 where the case is not within the rule, or where the plaintiff, in the opinion of the Registrar, knew that the defendant relied on a contention which would entitle him to unconditional leave to defend, in any of such cases the application may be dismissed with costs to be paid forthwith by the plaintiff.

Costs of application when same dismissed

ORDER XIV

PARTIES

1. If any plaintiff sues, or any defendant is sued, in any representative capacity, it Suit on behalf of shall be expressed on the writ. The Court or a Judge may order any of the persons represented to be made parties either in lieu of, or in addition to, the previously existing parties.

2. Where a person has jointly with other persons an alleged ground for instituting a Joint ground of suit suit, all those other persons ought ordinarily to be made parties to the suit.

3. Where more persons than one have the same interest in one suit, one or more of such persons may be authorised to sue or to defend in such suit for the benefit of or on behalf of all parties so interested.

Where joint interest, parties may be authorised to sue or defend for others

4. Where a person has a joint and several demand against two or more persons, either as principals or sureties, it is not necessary for him to bring before the Court as parties to a suit concerning that demand all the persons liable thereto, and he may proceed against any one or more of the persons severally or jointly and severally liable. Where a defendant claims contribution, indemnity or other remedy or relief over against any other person, he may apply to have such person made a party to the suit.

Joint and several demand O. 14

5. (1) If it shall appear to the Court or a Judge, at or before the hearing of a suit, that all the persons who may be entitled to, or claim some share or interest in, the subject-matter of the suit, or who may be likely to be affected by the result, have not been made parties, the Court or a Judge may adjourn the hearing of the suit to a future day, to be fixed by the Court or a Judge, and direct that such persons shall be made either plaintiffs or defendants in the suit, as the case may be. In such case, the Court shall issue a notice to such persons, which shall be served in the manner provided by the rules for the service of a writ of summons, or in such other manner as the Court or a Judge thinks fit to direct; and, on proof of the due service of such notice, the person so served, whether he shall have appeared or not, shall be bound by all proceedings in the cause:

Non-joinder

Provided that a person so served, and failing to appear within the time limited by the notice for his appearance, may, at any time before judgment in the suit, apply to the Court or a Judge for leave to appear, and such leave may be given upon such terms (if any) as the Court or a Judge shall think fit. The Court or a Judge upon the application of any party may give directions for service upon a new party of copies of any writ of summons or other document or process and also may give such other directions in relation to the adding of such new party as justice and the circumstances of the case may require.

(2) The Court or a Judge may, at any stage of the proceedings, and on such terms as appear to the Court or a Judge to be just, order that the name or names of any party or parties, whether as plaintiffs or as defendants, improperly joined, be struck out.

Misjoinder

(3) No suit shall be defeated by reason of non-joinder or misjoinder of parties.

(As amended by No. 218 of 1944)

Claims by the Government against any person may be brought by the Attorney-General or by any officer authorised by law to prosecute such claim on behalf of the Government, as the case may be.

Claims by the Government

7. Any persons claiming or being liable as co-partners may sue or be sued in the name of their respective firms (if any); and any party to an action may, in such case, apply to the Court or a Judge for a statement of the names of the persons who are co-partners in any such firm, to be furnished in such manner and verified on oath or otherwise as the Court or a Judge may direct.

Proceedings by or against partners

In case a writ states two or more distinct causes of action by and against the same parties, and in the same rights, the Court or a Judge may, either before or at the hearing, if it appears inexpedient to try the different causes of action together, order that the trials be had separately, and make such order as to adjournment and costs as justice requires.

Distinct causes of action in one writ O. 14, 15, 16

In case a writ states two or more distinct causes of action, but not by and against the same parties, or by and against the same parties but not in the same rights, the writ may, on the application of any defendant, be amended or dismissed by the Court or a Judge, as justice may require.

Misjoinder of actions

ORDER XV

PARTICULARS OF CLAIM

1. The Court or a Judge may, on the application of the defendant, order further or Further particulars better particulars.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

2. The plaintiff shall not, at the hearing, obtain a judgment for any sum exceeding that stated in the particulars, except for subsequent interest and the costs of suit, notwithstanding that the sum claimed in the writ for debt or damages exceeds the sum stated in the particulars.

Judament not to exceed claim

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

Particulars of claim shall not be amended except by leave of the Court or a Judge, but the Court or a Judge may, on any application for leave to amend, grant leave, on its appearing that the defendant will not be prejudiced by the amendment:

Amendment of claim

Provided that the Court or a Judge may refuse leave or grant it, on such terms as to notice, adjournment or costs as justice requires.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

ORDER XVI

ALTERATION OF PARTIES

1. Where, after the institution of a suit, any change or transmission of interest or liability occurs in relation to any party to the suit, or any party to the suit dies or becomes incapable of carrying on the suit, or the suit in any other way becomes defective or incapable of being carried on, any person interested may obtain from the Court or a Judge any order requisite for curing the defect, or enabling or compelling proper parties to carry on the proceedings:

Where change of interest, Court may make order enabling suit to proceed

Provided that any person served with such an order may within such time as the Court or a Judge in the order directs apply to the Court or a Judge to discharge or vary the order.

2. The death of a plaintiff or defendant shall not cause the suit to abate, if the cause of action survive.

O. 16
Death of party not to abate suit, if cause of action survives

3. If there be two or more plaintiffs or defendants, and one of them die, and if the cause of action survive to the surviving plaintiff or plaintiffs alone, or against the surviving defendant or defendants alone, the suit shall proceed at the instance of the surviving plaintiff or plaintiffs, and against the surviving defendant or defendants.

Cause of action surviving to surviving plaintiff or plaintiffs

4. If there be two or more plaintiffs, and one of them die, and if the cause of action shall not survive to the surviving plaintiff or plaintiffs alone, but shall survive to them and the legal representative of the deceased plaintiff jointly, the Court or a Judge may, on the application of the legal representative of the deceased plaintiff, enter the name of such representative in the suit in the place of such deceased plaintiff, and the suit shall proceed at the instance of the surviving plaintiff or plaintiffs, and such legal representative of the deceased plaintiff. If no application shall be made to the Court or a Judge by any person claiming to be the legal representative of the deceased plaintiff, the suit shall proceed at the instance of the surviving plaintiff or plaintiffs; and the legal representative of the deceased plaintiff shall, after notice to appear, be interested in, and shall be bound by the judgment given in the suit, in the same manner as if the suit had proceeded at his instance conjointly with the surviving plaintiff or plaintiffs, unless the Court or a Judge shall see cause to direct otherwise.

Cause of action surviving to surviving plaintiff and legal representative of deceased plaintiff

5. In case of the death of a sole plaintiff, or sole surviving plaintiff, the Court or a Judge may, on the application of the legal representative of such plaintiff, enter the name of such representative in the place of such plaintiff in the suit, and the suit shall thereupon proceed; if no such application shall be made to the Court or a Judge within what it or he may consider a reasonable time by any person claiming to be the legal representative of the deceased sole plaintiff or sole surviving plaintiff, it shall be competent to the Court or a Judge to make an order that the suit shall abate, and to award to the defendant the reasonable costs which he may have incurred in defending the suit, to be recovered from the estate of the deceased sole plaintiff or surviving plaintiff; or the Court or a Judge may, if it or he thinks proper, on the application of the defendant, and upon such terms as to costs as may seem fit, make such order for bringing in the legal representative of the deceased sole plaintiff or surviving plaintiff, and for proceeding with the suit in order to reach a final determination of the matters in dispute, as may appear just and proper in the circumstances of the case.

Death of sole or surviving plaintiff

6. If any dispute arise as to who is the legal representative of a deceased plaintiff, it shall be competent to the Court or a Judge either to stay the suit until the fact has been duly determined in another suit, or to decide, before the hearing of the suit, who shall be admitted to be such legal representative for the purpose of prosecuting the suit.

Dispute as to legal representative

7. If there be two or more defendant, and one of them die, and the cause of action shall not survive against the surviving defendant or defendants alone, and also in case of the death of a sole defendant or sole surviving defendant, where the action survives, the plaintiff may make an application to the Court or a Judge specifying the name, description and place of abode of any person whom the plaintiff alleges to be the legal representative of such defendant, and whom he desires to be made the defendant in his stead; and the Court or a Judge shall thereupon enter the name of such representative in the suit in the place of such defendant, and shall issue an order to him to appear on a day to be therein mentioned to defend the suit; and the case shall thereupon proceed in the same manner as if such representative had originally been made a defendant and had been a party to the former proceedings in the suit.

O. 16, 17
Death of one of several defendants or of a sole surviving defendant

8. The bankruptcy of the plaintiff, in any suit which the assignee or trustee might maintain for the benefit of the creditors, shall not be a valid objection to the continuance of such suit, unless the assignee or trustee shall decline to continue the suit and to give security for the costs thereof, within such reasonable time as the Court or a Judge may order; if the assignee or trustee neglect or refuse to continue the suit and to give such security within the time limited by the order, the defendant may, within eight days after such neglect or refusal, plead the bankruptcy of the plaintiff as a reason for abating the suit.

Bankruptcy of plaintiff

ORDER XVII

DISCONTINUANCE OF SUITS

1. If, before the date fixed for the hearing, the plaintiff desires to discontinue any suit against all or any of the defendants, or to withdraw any part of his alleged claim, he shall give notice in writing of discontinuance or withdrawal to the Registrar and to every defendant as to whom he desires to discontinue or withdraw. After the receipt of such notice, such defendant shall not be entitled to any further costs, with respect to the matter so discontinued or withdrawn, than those incurred up to the receipt of such notice, unless the Court or a Judge shall otherwise order; and such defendant may apply ex parte for an order against the plaintiff for the costs incurred before the receipt of such notice and of attending the Court or a Judge to obtain the order. Such discontinuance or withdrawal shall not be a defence to any subsequent suit. If, in any other case, the plaintiff desires to discontinue any suit or to withdraw any part of his alleged claim, or if a defendant desires to discontinue or withdraw his counter-claim or any part thereof, such discontinuance or withdrawal may, in the discretion of the Court or a Judge, be allowed on such terms as to costs and as to any subsequent suit and otherwise as to the Court or a Judge may seem just.

Discontinuance of suit

2. If any subsequent suit shall be brought before payment of the costs of a discontinued suit, for the same or substantially the same cause of action, the Court or a Judge may order a stay of such subsequent suit until such costs shall have been paid.

O. 17, 18, 19 Stay of subsequent suit

ORDER XVIII

AMENDMENT

1. The Court or a Judge may, at any stage of the proceedings, order any proceedings to be amended, whether the defect or error be that of the party applying to amend or not; and all such amendments as may be necessary or proper for the purpose of eliminating all statements which may tend to prejudice, embarrass or delay the fair trial of the suit, and for the purpose of determining, in the existing suit, the real question or questions in controversy between the parties, shall be so made. Every such order shall be made upon such terms as to costs or otherwise as shall seem just.

Under what circumstances

ORDER XIX

ORDER OF DIRECTIONS

- **1.** The Court or trial Judge shall, not later than fourteen days after appearance and Order of directions defence have been filed, give directions with respect to the following matters:
 - (a) reply and defence to counter claim, if any;
 - (b) discovery of documents;
 - (c) inspection of documents;
 - (a) admissions;
 - (e) interrogatories; and
 - (t) place and mode of trial:

Provided that the period for doing any of these acts shall not exceed 14 days.

2. Notwithstanding rule 1, the Court may, for sufficient reason, extend the period within which to do any of the acts specified in rule 1.

(As amended by No. 71 of 1997)

ORDER XX

O. 20, 21

Liberty to apply

DEFAULT OF PLEADING

1. If the plaintiff fails to deliver a defence to the counter claim within the time allowed for that purpose by the order for directions, the defendant may, at the expiration of such time, enter final judgment or interlocutory judgment, as the case may be.

Default of plaintiff in delivering defence to counter claim

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

2. In probate actions, if any defendant defaults in filing a memorandum of appearance and defence, the action may proceed to trial, notwithstanding the default

Probate action

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

3. Any judgment by default, whether under this Order of under any of these Rules, may be set aside by the Court or a Judge, upon such terms as to costs or otherwise as the Court or Judge may think fit.

Setting aside judgment by default

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

4. In proceedings against the Government, no judgment for the plaintiff shall be entered in default of pleading without the leave of the Court or a Judge, and any application for the leave shall be made by notice of motion or summons served not less than seven days before the return day.

Proceedings against the Government

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

ORDER XXI

ADMISSIONS

1. Any party to a suit may give notice, by his own statement or otherwise, that he admits the truth of the whole or any part of the case stated or referred to in the writ of summons, statement of claim, defence or other statement of any other party.

Notice of admissions

2. Any party may call upon any other party to admit, saving just exceptions, any document or fact.

Notice to admit

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3. In case of refusal or neglect to admit after notice, the costs of proof of the document or fact shall be paid by the party refusing or neglecting to admit, whatever be the result of the suit, unless the Court or a Judge is of opinion that the refusal or neglect to admit was reasonable.

Costs on refusal to make reasonable admissions

4. If the plaintiff and defendant shall agree as to the terms and conditions on which judgment shall be entered, the Court or a Judge, unless it or he sees good reason to the contrary, shall enter judgment on such terms and conditions.

Judgment by consent

5. If any defendant shall sign a statement admitting the amount claimed in the summons or any part of such amount, the Court or a Judge, on being satisfied as to the genuineness of the signature of the person before whom such statement was signed, and unless it or he sees good reason to the contrary, shall, in case the whole amount is admitted, or in case the plaintiff consents to a judgment for the part admitted, enter judgment for the plaintiff for the whole amount or the part admitted, as the case may be, and, in case the plaintiff shall not consent to judgment for the part admitted, shall receive such statement in evidence as an admission without further proof.

O. 21, 22, 23 Admission by defendants

6. A party may apply, on motion or summons, for cancelled judgment on admissions where admissions of facts or part of a case are made by a party to the cause or matter either by his pleadings or otherwise.

Application on admissions

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

ORDER XXII

SETTLEMENT OF ISSUES

1. The parties shall, on setting down the action for trial, settle the issues in writing by stating the questions in controversy between them and stating the questions of law on admitted facts and questions of disputed fact, or questions partly of law and partly of fact except that this rule shall not apply where the parties appear in person.

Settlement of issues

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

2. At any time before the decision of the case, if it shall appear to the Court necessary for the purpose of determining the real question or controversy between the parties, the Court may amend the issues or frame additional issues, on such terms as it shall seem fit.

Amendment of framing of additional issues

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

ORDER XXIII

INQUIRIES AND ACCOUNTS

1. In any civil cause or matter in which all parties interested who are under no disability consent thereto, and also, without such consent, in any civil cause or matter requiring any prolonged examination of documents or accounts or any scientific or local examination which cannot, in the opinion of the Court or a Judge, conveniently be made by the Court in the usual manner, the Court or a Judge may, at any time, on such terms as it or he may think proper, order any question or issue of fact, or any question of account arising therein, to be investigated or tried before a referee, to be agreed on between the parties or appointed by the Court or a Judge.

Questions of fact or of account may be investigated by referee

2. Where an order has been made under rule 1, the Court or a Judge shall furnish the referee with such part of the proceedings and such information and detailed instructions as may appear necessary for his guidance, and shall direct the parties, if necessary, to attend upon the referee during the inquiry. The instructions shall specify whether the referee is merely to transmit the proceedings which he may hold on the inquiry, or also to report his own opinion on the point referred for his investigation.

O. 23 Instructions to referee

3. The Court or a Judge may, at any stage of the proceedings, direct any necessary inquiries or accounts described in rule 1 to be made or taken, notwithstanding that it may appear that there is some special or further relief sought for or some special issue to be tried, as to which it may be proper that the cause or matter should proceed in the ordinary manner.

Interim inquiries or

4. The referee may, subject to the order of the Court or a Judge, hold the inquiry at or adjourn it to any place which he may deem most convenient, and have any inspection or view which he may deem expedient for the disposal of the controversy before him. He shall, so far as practicable, proceed with the inquiry *de die in diem*.

General powers of referee

5. Subject to any order to be made by the Court or a Judge ordering the inquiry, evidence shall be taken at any inquiry before a referee, and the attendance of witnesses may be enforced by subpoena; and every such inquiry shall be conducted in the same manner, as nearly as circumstances will admit, as trials before a Judge, but not so as to make the tribunal of the referee a public court of justice.

Evidence

6. Subject to any order as mentioned in the last preceding rule, the referee shall have the same authority in the conduct of any inquiry as a Judge when presiding at any trial.

Referee's authority in the inquiry

7. Nothing in these Rules contained shall authorise any referee to commit any person to prison or to enforce any order by attachment or otherwise; but the Court may, in respect of matters before a referee, make any order of attachment or commitment it may consider necessary.

Limitation in certain particulars

8. The referee may, before the conclusion of any inquiry before him, or by his report under the reference, submit any question arising therein for the decision of the Court, or state any facts specially.

Referee may report questions or facts specially

9. The proceedings and report in writing of the referee shall be received in evidence in the case, unless the Court may have reason to be dissatisfied with them, and the Court shall have power to draw such inferences from the proceedings or report as shall be just.

Effect of report by referee

10. The Court shall have power to require any explanations or reasons from the referee, and to remit the cause or matter, or any part thereof, for further inquiry or consideration to the same or any other referee, as often as may be necessary, and shall pass such ultimate judgment or order as may appear to be right and proper in the circumstances of the case.

Powers of Court O. 23, 24, 25

ORDER XXIV

APPEARANCE OF PARTIES

1. In every civil cause or matter pending before the Court, in case it shall appear, to the satisfaction of the Court or a Judge, that any plaintiff or defendant who may not be represented by counsel or advocate is prevented by some good or sufficient cause from attending the Court in person, the Court or a Judge may, in its or his discretion, permit any other person who shall satisfy the Court or a Judge that he has authority in that behalf to appear for such plaintiff or defendant.

Court may permit party to appear by proxy

2. Any person doing any act or taking any proceeding in the name or on behalf of another person, not being lawfully authorised thereunto, and knowing himself not to be so authorised, shall be guilty of a contempt of court.

Proceeding without authority

ORDER XXV

(No. 218 of 1944)

ARREST OF DEFENDANT UNDER SECTION 10 OF DEBTORS ACT

1. An order to arrest under section *ten* of the Debtors Act shall be made upon affidavit and *ex parte*; but the defendant may at any time apply to the Court or a Judge to rescind or vary the order or to be discharged from custody, or for such other relief as may be just.

Form of application and order to arrest. Cap. 77

2. It shall be lawful for the Court or a Judge before making the order to arrest, to require the plaintiff to deposit in Court such sum as the Court or a Judge may think sufficient for the costs of arresting the defendant and of conveying him to prison.

Costs of arrest

3. An order to arrest shall before delivery to the Sheriff be endorsed with the plaintiff's address for service as required by Order VII.

Endorsement on order to arrest

The security to be given by the defendant may be a deposit in Court of the amount mentioned in the order, or a bond to the plaintiff by the defendant and two sufficient sureties (or with the leave of the Court or a Judge either one surety or more than two), or, with the plaintiff's consent any other form of security. The plaintiff may, within four days after receiving particulars of the names and addresses of the proposed sureties, give notice that he objects thereto, stating in the notice the particulars of his objections. In such case the sufficiency of the security shall be determined by the Registrar who shall have power to award costs to either party. It shall be the duty of the plaintiff to obtain an appointment for that purpose, and unless he do so within four days after giving notice of objection, the security shall be deemed sufficient.

Security by defendant O. 25, 26

The money deposited, and the security, and all proceedings thereon, shall be Control of the Court subject to the order and control of the Court or a Judge.

6. Unless otherwise ordered, the costs of and incidental to an order of arrest shall be costs in the cause.

Costs

7. Upon payment into Court of the amount mentioned in the order, a receipt shall be given; and upon receiving the bond or other security, a certificate to that effect shall be given, signed or attested by the plaintiff's advocate if he have one, or by the plaintiff, if he sue in person. The delivery of such receipt or a certificate to the Sheriff or other officer executing the order, shall entitle the defendant to be discharged out of custody.

Completion of security and discharge from custody

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

The Sheriff or other officer named in an order to arrest shall, within two days after the arrest, endorse on the order the true date of such arrest.

Date of arrest

The expenses incurred for the subsistence in prison of the person so arrested shall be paid by the plaintiff in the action in advance. The Court or a Judge shall fix whatever allowance it or he shall think sufficient for such subsistence or per diem. The amount so disbursed may be recovered by the plaintiff in the suit, unless the Court or a Judge shall otherwise order. The Court or a Judge may release the person so imprisoned on failure by the plaintiff to pay the subsistence money, or in the case of serious illness, order his removal to hospital. During the period of such person's stay in hospital, the subsistence allowance shall be paid by the plaintiff, unless the Court or a Judge shall see fit, in any case, to order otherwise.

Cost of subsistence of person arrested

ORDER XXVI

INTERIM ATTACHMENT OF PROPERTY

1. If the defendant, in any suit for an amount or value of fifty thousand kwacha or upwards, with intent to obstruct or delay the execution of any decree that may be passed against him, is about to dispose of his property, or any part thereof, or to remove any such property from the jurisdiction, the plaintiff may apply to the Court or a Judge, either at the time of the institution of the suit, or at any time thereafter until final judgment, to call upon the defendant to furnish sufficient security to fulfil any decree that may be made against him in the suit, and, on his failing to give such security, to direct that any property, movable or immovable, belonging to the defendant, shall be attached until the further order of the Court or a Judge.

In what cases O. 26

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

2. The application shall contain a specification of the property required to be attached and the estimated value thereof, so far as the plaintiff can reasonably ascertain the same; and the plaintiff shall, at the time of making the application, declare that, to the best of his information and belief, the defendant is about to dispose of or remove his property with such intent as aforesaid.

Application for attachment

3. If the Court or a Judge, after making such investigation as it or he may consider necessary, shall be satisfied that the defendant is about to dispose of or remove his property, with intent to obstruct or delay the execution of the decree, it shall be lawful for the Court or a Judge to order the defendant, within a time to be fixed by the Court or a Judge, either to furnish security, in such sum as may be specified in the order, to produce and place at the disposal of the Court, when required, the said property, or the value of the same, or such portion thereof as may be sufficient to fulfil the decree, or to appear and show cause why he should not furnish security. The Court or a Judge may also, in the order, direct the attachment, until further order, of the whole or any portion of the property specified in the application.

Form of order

4. If the defendant fail to show such cause, or to furnish the required security within the time fixed by the Court or a Judge, the Court or a Judge may direct that the property specified in the application, if not already attached, or such portion thereof as shall be sufficient to fulfil the decree, shall be attached until further order. If the defendant show such cause, or furnish the required security, and the property specified in the application, or any portion of it, shall have been attached, the Court or a Judge shall order the attachment to be withdrawn.

Where defendant fails to show cause or give security. First Schedule, Form 29

5. The attachment shall not affect the rights of persons not parties to the suit, and, in the event of any claim being preferred to the property attached before judgment, such claim shall be investigated in the manner prescribed for the investigation of claims to property attached in execution of a decree.

Rights of third parties not to be affected

6. In all cases of attachment before judgment, the Court or a Judge shall, at any time, remove the same on the defendant furnishing security as hereinbefore required together with security for the costs of the attachment.

Removal of attachment

ORDER XXVII

O. 27

INJUNCTIONS, ETC.

1. In any suit in which it shall be shown, to the satisfaction of the Court or a Judge, that any property which is in dispute in the suit is in danger of being wasted, damaged or alienated by any party to the suit, it shall be lawful for the Court or a Judge to issue an injunction to such party, commanding him to refrain from doing the particular act complained of, or to give such order, for the purpose of staying and preventing him from wasting, damaging or alienating the property, as to the Court or a Judge may seem meet, and, in all cases in which it may appear to the Court or a Judge to be necessary for the preservation or the better management or custody of any property which is in dispute in a suit, it shall be lawful for the Court or a Judge to appoint a receiver or manager of such property, and, if need be, to remove the person in whose possession or custody the property may be from the possession or custody thereof, and to commit the same to the custody of such receiver or manager, and to grant to such receiver or manager all such powers for the management or the preservation and improvement of the property, and the collection of the rents and profits thereof, and the application and disposal of such rents and profits, as to the Court or a Judge may seem proper.

To stay waste, damage or alienation Appointment of receiver

2. It shall be lawful for the Court or a Judge, on the application of any party to a suit, to make any order for the sale by any person named in such order, and in such manner and on such terms as to the Court or a Judge may seem desirable, of any goods, wares or merchandise, the right to which is in dispute in the suit, which may be of a perishable nature, or likely to depreciate from keeping, or which, for any other just and sufficient reason, it may be desirable to have sold at once.

Orders for sale of perishable goods

3. It shall be lawful for the Court or a Judge, upon the application of any party to a suit, and upon such terms as may seem just, to make any order for the detention, preservation or inspection of any property being the subject of such suit, and, for all or any of the purposes aforesaid, to authorise any person or persons to enter upon or into any land or building in the possession of any party to such suit; and, for all or any of the purposes aforesaid, to authorise any samples to be taken, or any observations to be made or experiments to be tried, which may seem necessary or expedient for the purpose of obtaining full information or evidence.

Detention and inspection of property in dispute

4. In any suit for restraining the defendant from the committal of any breach of contract or other injury, and whether the same be accompanied by any claim for damages or not, it shall be lawful for the plaintiff, at any time after the commencement of the suit, and whether before or after judgment, to apply to the Court or a Judge for an injunction to restrain the defendant from the repetition or the continuance of the breach of contract or wrongful act complained of, or the committal of any breach of contract or injury of a like kind arising out of the same contract, or relating to the same property or right, and such injunction may be granted by the Court or a Judge on such terms as to the duration of the injunction, keeping an account, giving security or otherwise, as to the Court or a Judge shall seem reasonable and just:

Orders to restrain breaches of contract or tort O. 27, 28

Provided that any order for an injunction may be discharged, varied or set aside by the Court or a Judge, on application made thereto by any party dissatisfied with such order.

5. The Court or a Judge may, in every case, before granting an injunction or order as aforesaid, direct such reasonable notice of the application for the same to be given to the opposite party, as it or he shall see fit.

Notice of application

6. A Judge may, on application or on his own motion pursuant to an undertaking as to damages, order an assessment of damages arising out of dischaged injunction found to have been unjustified, and that the damages shall be assessed by the Registrar.

Order for assessment of damages

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

7. (1) Without prejudice to the provisions of any other rule, the Court on an application by a party to a marriage shall have jurisdiction to grant an injunction containing one or more of the following provisions, namely-

Injunctions

- a provision restraining the other party to a marriage from molesting the applicant; or
- (b) a provision restraining the other party from molesting a child living with the applicant whether or not any other relief is sought in the proceedings.
- (2) The provisions of sub-rule (1) shall apply to a man and woman who are living with each other in the same household as husband and wife as it applies to the parties to a marriage and any reference to a marital home shall be construed accordingly.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

ORDER XXVIII

EQUITABLE RELIEF, COUNTER-CLAIM, SET-OFF

1. Every suit implies an offer to do equity in the matter thereof, and admits of any equitable defence.

Equitable defence

2. The plaintiff may obtain any such equitable relief as the facts stated and proved entitle him to, though not specifically asked.

Equitable relief

3. A defendant in an action may set off, or set up by way of counter-claim against the claim of the plaintiff, any right or claim, whether such set-off or counter-claim sound in damages or not, and such set-off or counter-claim shall have the same effect as a statement of claim in a cross-action so as to enable the Court to pronounce a final judgment in the same action, both on the original and on the cross-claim. But the Court or a Judge may, if, in its or his opinion, such set-off or counter-claim cannot be conveniently disposed of in the pending action, or ought not to be allowed, refuse permission to the defendant to avail himself thereto.

Counter-claim. Set-off O. 28, 29

ORDER XXIX

(No. 218 of 1944)

PAYMENT INTO AND OUT OF COURT AND TENDER

1. (1) In any action for a debt or damages the defendant may at any time after appearance upon notice to the plaintiff pay into Court a sum of money in satisfaction of the claim or (where several causes of action are joined in one action) in satisfaction of one or more of the causes of action:

Payment into Court

Provided that with a defence setting up tender before action the sum of money alleged to have been tendered must be brought into Court.

- (2) Where the money is paid into Court in satisfaction of one or more of several causes of action the notice shall specify the cause or causes of action in respect of which payment is made and the sum paid in respect of each such cause of action unless the Court or a Judge otherwise order.
- (3) The notice shall state whether liability is admitted or denied and receipt of the notice shall be acknowledged in writing by the plaintiff within three days.
- 2. (1) Where money is paid into Court under rule 1 the plaintiff may within twenty-one days of the receipt of the notice of payment into Court or, where more than one payment into Court has been made, within twenty-one days of the receipt of the notice of the last payment into Court, accept the whole sum or any one or more of the specified sums in satisfaction of the claim or in satisfaction of the cause or causes of action to which the sum or sums relate, by giving notice to the defendant to that effect and thereupon he shall be entitled to receive payment of the accepted sum or sums in satisfaction aforesaid.

Plaintiff may take money out of Court

- (2) Payment shall be made to the plaintiff or on his written authority to his advocate, and thereupon proceedings in the action or in respect of the specified cause or causes of action, as the case may be, shall be stayed.
- (3) If the plaintiff accepts money paid into Court in satisfaction of his claim, or if he accepts a sum or sums paid in respect of one or more specified causes of action, and gives notice that he abandons the other cause or causes of action he may, after four days from payment-out and unless the Court or a Judge otherwise order, tax his costs incurred to the time of payment into Court, and forty-eight hours after taxation may sign judgment for his taxed costs.
- (4) A plaintiff in an action for libel or slander who takes money out of Court may apply by summons to a Judge in chambers for leave to make in open Court a statement in terms approved by a Judge. The statement must be confined to clearing the character and reputation of the plaintiff and must not attack the defendant or any other person.
- (5) This rule does not apply to Admiralty action or to an action or cause of action in which a defence of tender before action is pleaded.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

3. If the whole of the money in Court is not taken out under rule 2, the money remaining in Court shall not be paid out except in satisfaction of the claim or specified cause or causes of action in respect of which it was paid in and in pursuance of an order of the Court or a Judge, which may be made at any time before, at or after trial.

Money remaining in Court

4. (1) Money may be paid into Court under rule 1 by one or more of several defendants sued jointly or in the alternative, upon notice to the other defendant or defendants.

Several defendants

- (2) If the plaintiff elects within twenty-one days after receipt of notice of payment into Court to accept the sum or sums paid into Court, he shall give notice to that effect to each defendant.
- (3) Thereupon all further proceedings in the action or in respect of the specified cause or causes of action, as the case may be, shall be stayed, and the money shall not be paid out except in pursuance of an order of the Court or a Judge dealing with the whole costs of the action or cause or causes of action, as the case may be.
- **5.** A plaintiff or other person made defendant to a counterclaim may pay money into Court in accordance with the foregoing rules, with the necessary modifications.

Counterclaim

6. Except in an action to which a defence of tender before action is pleaded or in which a plea under the Libel Acts, 1843 and 1845, of the United Kingdom, has been filed, no statement of the fact that money has been paid into Court under the preceding rules of this Order shall be inserted in the pleadings and no communication of that fact shall at the trial of any action be made to the Judge or assessors until all questions of liability and amount of debt or damages have been decided, but the Judge shall, in exercising his discretion as to costs, take into account both the fact that the money has been paid into Court and the amount of such payment.

Non-disclosure at trial of payment into Court

- **7.** (1) In any cause or matter in which money or damages is or are claimed by or on behalf of an infant or a person of unsound mind suing either alone or in conjunction with other parties, no settlement or compromise or payment or acceptance of money paid into Court, whether before or at or after the trial shall, as regards the claims of any such infant or person of unsound mind, be valid without the approval of the Court or a Judge.
- O. 29 Money recovered by infant or person of unsound mind or by widow under Fatal Accidents Acts
- (2) No money (which expression for the purposes of this rule includes damages) in any way recovered or adjudged or ordered or awarded or agreed to be paid in any such cause or matter in respect of the claims of any such infant or person of unsound mind, whether by verdict or by settlement, compromise payment, payment into Court or otherwise, before or at or after the trial shall be paid to the plaintiff or to the next friend of the plaintiff or to the plaintiff's advocate unless the Court or a Judge shall so direct.

- (3) All money so recovered or adjudged or ordered or awarded or agreed to be paid shall be dealt with as the Court or a Judge shall direct and the said money or any part thereof may be so directed to be paid into Court and to be invested or otherwise dealt with there as may be ordered from time to time.
- (4) The direction referred to in sub-rule (3) may include any general or special directions that the Court or a Judge may think fit to give, including (without prejudice to the generality of the above provision) directions as to how the money is to be applied or dealt with and as to any payment to be made either directly or out of the amount paid into Court to the plaintiff or to the next friend in respect of moneys paid or expenses incurred or for maintenance or otherwise for or on behalf of or for the benefit of the infant or person of unsound mind or otherwise or to the plaintiff's advocate in respect of taxed costs or of the certified difference between party and party and advocate and client costs.
- (5) The provisions of this rule shall also apply to all actions in which damages are claimed or recovered by or on behalf of or adjudged or ordered or awarded or agreed to be paid to an infant or person of unsound mind under the Fatal Accidents Acts, 1846 to 1908, of the United Kingdom. Where such proceedings are taken by or for the benefit of more than one person and the amount recovered is to be divided amongst such persons, the Judge shall divide and apportion the share to be paid to each of the said persons and the amount so apportioned shall be specified in the order or judgment made or directed in the Court.
 - (6) Nothing in this rule shall prejudice the lien of a advocate for costs.
- (7) The costs of the plaintiff, or, if more than one, of all the plaintiffs in any such cause or matter or incident to the claims therein or consequent thereon shall be taxed by the Registrar, or, if such cause or matter is proceeding in a District Registry by the District Registrar, as between party and party and as between advocate and client, and the Registrar or District Registrar shall certify the respective amounts of the party and party and advocate and client costs, and the difference (if any) and the proportion of such difference (if any) payable respectively by any adult party to the cause or matter and by or out of the moneys of any party who is an infant or person of unsound mind, and no costs other than those so certified shall be payable to the advocate for any plaintiff in the cause or matter.
- (8) This rule shall apply to the case of a counter-claim by an infant or a person of unsound mind, the expression plaintiff, plaintiff's advocate and next friend being read as applying to a defendant setting up the counter-claim or his guardian *ad litem*.

This rule shall apply to the case of a lunatic so found by inquisition, the expression next friend or guardian *ad litem* being read if necessary as applying to the committee.

(9) Money paid into Court or securities purchased under the provisions of this rule, and the dividends or interest thereon, shall be sold, transferred, or paid out to the party entitled thereto, pursuant to the order of the Court or a Judge.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

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ORDER XXX

(No. 218 of 1944)

APPLICATIONS AND PROCEEDINGS IN CHAMBERS AND IN COURT

I-Applications in Chambers

1. Every application in chambers shall be made by summons.

Application to be by summons

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

2. The summons shall be in Form 21 set out in the First Schedule, with such variations as circumstances may require, and shall be addressed to all the persons on whom it is to be served.

Form of summons

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

3. Every summons shall be served two clear days before return thereof, unless in any case it shall be otherwise ordered:

Service of summons

Provided that in case of summonses for time only, the summons may be served on the day previous to the return day.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

- **4.** Where any of the parties to a summons fail to attend, whether upon the return of the summons, or at any time appointed for the consideration or further consideration of the matter, the Judge may proceed *ex parte*, if, considering the nature of the case, he think it expedient so to do; no affidavit of non-attendance shall be required or allowed, but the Judge may require such evidence of service as he may think just.
- O. 30
 Proceeding ex parte
 where party fails to
 attend
- **5.** Where the Judge has proceeded *ex parte*, such proceedings shall not in any manner be reconsidered in the Judge's chambers, unless the Judge shall be satisfied that the party failing to attend was not guilty of wilful delay or negligence; and in such case the costs occasioned by his non-attendance shall be in the discretion of the Judge, who may fix the same at the time, and direct them to be paid by the party or his advocate before he shall be permitted to have such proceeding reconsidered, or make such other order as to such costs as he may think just.

Reconsideration of ex parte proceeding. Costs

6. Where a proceeding in chambers fails by reason of the non-attendance of any party, and the Judge does not think it expedient to proceed *ex parte*, the Judge may order such an amount of costs (if any) as he shall think reasonable to be paid to the party attending by the absent party or by his advocate personally.

Costs thrown away by non-attendance of party

7. Where matters in respect of which summonses have been issued are not disposed of upon the return of the summons, the parties shall attend from time to time without further summons, at such time or times as may be appointed for the consideration or further consideration of the matter.

Further attend-ance where summonses not fully disposed of

8. In every cause or matter where any party thereto makes any application at chambers, either by way of summons or otherwise, he shall be at liberty to include in one and the same application all matters upon which he then desires the order or directions of the Court or Judge; and upon the hearing of such application it shall be lawful for the Court or Judge to make any order and give any directions relative to or consequential on the matter of such application as may be just; and such application may, if the Judge thinks fit, be adjourned from chambers into Court, or from Court into chambers.

What matters to be included in the same summons
Adjournment into
Court or into chambers

9. If any matter appears to the Registrar proper for the decision of a Judge, the Registrar may refer the same to a Judge and the Judge may either dispose of the matter or refer the same back to the Registrar with such directions as he may think fit.

Reference by Registrar to Judge

10. (1) Any person affected by any decision, order or direction of the Registrar may appeal therefrom to a Judge at chambers. Such appeal shall be by notice in writing to attend before the Judge without a fresh summons, within seven days after the decision, order or direction complained of, or such further time as may be allowed by a Judge or the Registrar. Unless otherwise ordered, there shall be at least one clear day between service of the notice of appeal and the day of hearing. An appeal from the decision, order or direction of the Registrar shall be no stay of proceedings unless so ordered by a Judge or the Registrar.

Appeal from Registrar

(2) Any person affected by any decision, order or direction of an Assistant Registrar may appeal therefrom to the Registrar. Such appeal shall be by notice in writing to attend before the Registrar without a fresh summons, within seven days after the decision, order or direction complained of, or such further times as may be allowed by the Registrar or Assistant Registrar. Unless otherwise ordered there shall be at least one clear day between service of the notice of appeal and the day of hearing. An appeal from the decision, order or direction of an Assistant Registrar shall be no stay of proceedings unless so ordered by the Registrar or Assistant Registrar.

Appeal from Assistant Registrar

(3) An appeal from the decision, order or direction of the Registrar on appeal from a decision, order or direction of an Assistant Registrar shall lie to a Judge in accordance with the provisions of sub-rule (1).

Further appeal from Registrar

(As amended by No. 309 of 1960)

(4) An appeal from the decision or order of the Registrar on assessment of damages shall lie to the Supreme Court; and

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

11. The business to be disposed of in chambers shall consist of the following matters, in addition to the matters which under any other rule or by statute or by the law and practice for the time being observed in England and applicable to Zambia may be disposed of in chambers:

Business to be disposed of in chambers

- (a) Applications for time to plead, for leave to amend pleadings, for discovery and production of documents, and generally all applications relating to the conduct of any cause or matter;
- (b) An application by any person claiming to be interested under a deed, will or other written instrument for the determination of any question of construction arising under the instrument and for a declaration of the rights of the person interested;
- (c) An application by any person claiming any legal or equitable right, in a case where the determination of the question whether he is entitled to the right depends upon a question of construction of a statute, for the determination of such question of construction and for a declaration as to the right claimed;
- (a) All proceedings in the Court under the Trustee Act, 1893, or under the Land Transfer Act, 1897, of the United Kingdom;
- (e) Applications as to the guardianship and maintenance or advancement of O. 30 infants;
- (1) Applications connected with the management of property;
- (g) Applications for or relating to the sale by auction or private contract of property, and as to the manner in which the sale is to be conducted, and for payment into Court and investment of the purchase money;
- (h) All applications for the taxation and delivery of bills of cost and for the delivery by any Advocate of deeds, documents and papers;
- (i) All matters which under any other rule or statute were formerly allowed to be commenced by originating summons;
- (j) Such other matters as a Judge may think fit to dispose of in chambers.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

12. The executors or administrators of a deceased person or any of them and the trustees under any deed or instrument or any of them, and any person claiming to be interested under the trust of any deed or instrument in the relief sought as creditor, devisee, legatee, next of kin, or heir-at-law of a deceased person or as *cestui que trust* or as claiming by assignment or otherwise under any such creditor or other person as aforesaid may take out an originating summons for such relief of the nature or kind following, as may be specified in the summons and as the circumstances may require, that is to say, the determination, without an administration by the Court of the estate or trust, of any of the following questions or matters so far as the same arise in the course of the administration or performance of such estate or trust:

Originating summons to deal with matters arising out of trusts

- (a) any question affecting the rights or interests of the person claiming to be creditor, devisee, legatee, next of kin, or heir-at-law, or *cestui que trust*;
- (b) the ascertainment of any class of creditors, legatees, devisees, next of kin, or others;
- (c) the furnishing of any particular accounts by the executors or administrators or trustees, and the vouching (when necessary) of such accounts;
- (a) the payment into Court of any money in the hands of the executors or administrators or trustees;
- (e) directing the executors or administrators or trustees to do or abstain from doing any particular act in their character as such executors or administrators or trustees:
- (t) the approval of any sale, purchase, compromise, or other transaction;
- (g) the determination of any question arising in the administration of the estate O. 30 or trust.
- **13.** Any of the persons named in the last preceding rule may in like manner apply for and obtain an order for-

Order for administration of estate of deceased, and of trust

- (a) the administration of the personal estate of the deceased;
- (b) the administration of the real estate of the deceased;
- (c) the administration of the trust;
- (d) any act to be done or step to be taken which the Court could have ordered to be done or taken if any such administration order as aforesaid had previously been made.
- **14.** Any mortgagee or mortgagor, whether legal or equitable, or any person entitled to or having property subject to a legal or equitable charge, or any person having the right to foreclosure or redeem any mortgage, whether legal or equitable, may take out as of course an originating summons, returnable in the chambers of a Judge for such relief of the nature or kind following as may by the summons be specified, and as the circumstances of the case may require; that is to say-

Originating summons for foreclosure

Payment of moneys secured by the mortgage or charge;

Sale; Foreclosure; Delivery of possession (whether before or after foreclosure) to the mortgagee or person entitled to the charge by the mortgagor or person having the property subject to the charge or by any other person in, or alleged to be in possession of the property; Redemption; Reconveyance; Delivery of possession by the mortgagee. **II-Applications in Court** Where any application is authorised to be made to the Court or a Judge, such Application by motion application, if made to a Judge in Court, shall be made by motion. Unless the Court or a Judge give special leave to the contrary, there must be Length of notice of motion at least four clear days between the service of a notice of motion and the day named on the notice for hearing the motion. Copy of affidavit to be 17. There shall be served with the notice of motion a copy of any affidavit on which served with notice the party moving intends to rely at the hearing of such motion. O. 30, 31 If, at the hearing of the motion, the Court or a Judge shall be of opinion that Where all parties not any person to whom notice has not been given ought to have or to have had such notice, served the Court or a Judge may either dismiss the motion, or adjourn the hearing thereof in order that such notice may be given, upon such terms as to the Court or a Judge may seem fit. Service with writ of **19.** The plaintiff may, by leave of the Court or a Judge, cause any notice of motion summons to be served upon a defendant with the writ of summons. Oral evidence 20. Oral evidence shall not be heard in support of any motion unless by leave of the Court or a Judge. 21. In addition to or in lieu of affidavits, the Court or a Judge may, if it or he thinks Evidence in addition to or in lieu of affidavits expedient, examine any witness viva voce, or receive documents in evidence, and may summon any person to attend to produce documents, or to be examined or cross-examined, in like manner as at the hearing of a suit.

22. Such notice as the Court or a Judge, in each case according to the circumstances, considers reasonable shall be given to the persons summoned, and to such persons (parties to the cause or matter or otherwise interested) as the Court or a Judge considers entitled, to inspect the documents to be produced, or to examine the persons summoned, or to be present at their examination, as the case may be.

Notice to parties

23. The evidence of a witness, on examination, shall be taken in like manner, as nearly as may be, as at the hearing of a suit.

Evidence, how taken

24. Upon the hearing of any motion, the Court or a Judge may, on such terms as it or he may deem fit, allow any affidavit to be used, although such affidavit has not been served on the opposite side with the notice of motion.

Affidavit not filed with notice of motion

ORDER XXXI

(No. 275 of 1959)

PLACE AND MODE OF TRIAL AND SETTING DOWN FOR TRIAL

1. (1) Except where an order for summary trial has been made, an order for directions in every action shall determine the place and mode of trial, but any order under this rule may be varied by a subsequent order of the Court or a Judge at any time at or before the trial.

Place and mode of

- (2) In any action described under sub-rule (1), different questions, whether of fact or law, may be ordered to be tried at different places or by different modes of trial and one or more questions may be ordered to be tried before the others.
- (3) The references in this Order to the summons for directions include references to any summons or application to which the provisions of Order XIX are applicable, with or without modifications.

O. 31

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

2. (1) Every order made in an action commenced by writ of summons, which provides for the mode of trial, shall provide for a period within which the plaintiff is to set down the action for trial.

Time within which to set down

(2) Where the plaintiff does not, within the period fixed under sub-rule (1), set the action down for trial, the defendant may set the action down for trial or may apply to the Court of a Judge to dismiss the action for want of prosecution, and on the hearing of any such application, the Court or a Judge may order the action to be dismissed accordingly or may make such other order as the Court or a Judge may seem just.

(3) Every order in an action described in sub-rule (1) which provides for the mode of trail shall contain an estimate of the length of the trial.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

3. (1) In order to set down for trial an action commenced by writ of summons, the party setting it down shall deliver to the proper officer a request that the action may be set down for trial at the place specified in the order made on the summons for directions, together with two bundles (one for the use of the Judge and the other, which may be a carbon copy, to serve as the record) each consisting of one copy each of the following documents:

Lodging documents when setting down for trail

- (a) the writ;
- (b) all the pleadings (including affidavits ordered to stand as pleadings);
- (c) all inter-locutory orders, together with one copy of any requests or orders for particulars and one copy of any particulars given;
- (a) any interrogatories with the answers thereto;
- (e) copies of settled issues under Order XXII; and
- (1) any other documents likely to be required by the Judge and not otherwise referred to in this sub-rule.
- (2) Each of the bundles referred to in sub-rule (1) shall-
 - (a) be bound up in book form in chronological order;
 - (b) have the pages thereof serially numbered;
 - (c) contain a complete index of the contents therof; and
 - (a) have endorsed on a backsheet thereon the title of the action together with the names, addresses and telephone numbers of the advocates for the parties, or, in the case of a party who has no advocate, of the party himself.
- (3) The original bundles referred to in sub-rule (1) (which shall serve as the record) shall bear the receipt number of the fees paid on setting down such action for trial.
- (4) Where a new trial becomes necessary in the case of action commenced by a writ of summons, the procedure for the setting down the action for the new trial shall be that specified in sub-rule (1), (2) and (3) except that-
 - the bundle referred to in sub-rule (1) (which is to serve as the record) shall be bespoken from the person in whose custody it is and sent to the proper officer; and
 - (b) there shall be delivered, along with the request that the action be set down, a backsheet with the title of action thereon, and the names, addresses and telephone numbers of the advocates for the parties, or, in the case of a party who has no advocate, of the party himself, duly endorsed with the amount of the fee payable on setting down the action for the new trial.

- (5) In this rule, "proper officer" means-
 - in relation to an action to be set down at the Principal Registry for trial, the Registrar, Deputy Registrar, or the Assistant Registrar in charge of civil actions;
 - (b) in relation to an action to be set down at a District Registry for trial, the District Registrar or the Assistant Registrar in charge of civil actions.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

4. Except for cases involving constitutional issues or the liberty of an individual or an injunction or where the trial Judge considers the case to be unsuitable for referral, every action may, upon being set down for trial, be referred by the trial Judge for mediation and where mediation fails the trial Judge shall summon the parties to fix a hearing date. The referral order shall be in form 28A in the First Schedule.

Reference to mediation

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

5. There shall be kept by the mediation officer or proper officer a list of mediators who have been trained and certified by the court to act in this capacity with the field or fields of bias or experience indicated against each of their names. The mediators shall be of not less than seven years working experience in their respective fields.

List of mediators

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

6. The mediator shall sign for and collect from the mediation office or proper officer the record referred to under sub-rule (3) of rule 3 of this Order.

O. 31
Collection of records
by mediator

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

7. The mediator shall, soon after collecting the record, contact the parties and give them the date, time and venue of the mediation and shall, not more than sixty days from the date of collecting the record, complete the mediation process.

Conductor of mediator

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

8. The parties shall appear in person at the mediation. If they are represented, their advocates shall accompany them. If a party is a corporation, partnership, governmental agency, or entity other than an individual, an officer or director of sufficient rank to settle the matter shall attend.

Appearance before mediator

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

9. At the commencement of the mediation, the mediator shall read and explain to the parties the statement of understanding on the role of the mediator in form 28B in the First Schedule set out in the Appendix to these Rules, and shall require the parties to sign the form.

Statement of understanding on role of mediator

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

10. The mediator shall not be required to keep a record of the mediation proceedings and any document prepared by the mediator during the proceedings shall, where the mediation fails, be destroyed at the end of the mediation process in the prescence of the parties. Statements made during mediation are confidential and privileged, and shall not be used as evidence in any matter. The mediator shall not communicate with any trial Judge about the mediation.

Record of mediation

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

11. (1) If the mediation fails, the mediator shall not more than ten days after the close of the mediation proceedings, return the record to the mediation office or proper officer with a report in form 28C in the First Schedule to these Rules, stating that the mediation has failed.

Return of records to mediation office or proper officer

(2) The mediation officer or proper officer shall, not more than seven days after receipt of the report referred to in sub-rule (1), submit the record to the trial Judge who shall, not more than fourteen days after receipt of the record from the mediation officer or proper officer summon the parties in terms of rule 5.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

12. A mediation settlement in form 28D in the First Schedule to these Rules shall be signed by the parties and the mediator and registered under Order XXXVII, rule 1, and shall have the same force and effect for all purposes as a judgement, order or decision and be enforced in the like manner.

Registration of Mediation Settlement O. 31, 32

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

13. There shall be paid to the mediator a mediation fee as agreed between the parties and the mediator which shall be paid by the parties in equal proportions at the time of lodging documents for trial:

Mediator fee

Provided that where the parties and the trial judge fail to agree on the fee, the fee shall be referred to the trial judge for determination.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

14. No appeal shall lie against a registered mediated settlement.

No appeal against settlement

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

ORDER XXXII

(No. 76 of 1962)

RECORDING OF PROCEEDINGS

1. In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires-

Interpretation

- "official shorthand writer", "official recording apparatus operator" and "official transcriber" mean a shorthand writer, a recording apparatus operator and a transcriber regularly employed by the Judicature, as the case may be;
- "record of proceedings" means a record made in terms of rule 2 or 3;
- "recording apparatus" includes any mechanical, electrical, magnetic, electronic or other apparatus whereby speech may be recorded in a form capable of subsequent audible reproduction;
- "Registrar" includes Deputy Registrar, District Registrar, Assistant Registrar and Deputy Assistant Registrar;
- *(3)"shorthand" includes palantyping or any other system of visible recording of words, other than longhand writing, authorised by the order of the Chief Justice for the recording of proceedings in accordance with this Order;

 * Palantype, Pitman's shorthand and Gregg's shorthand authorised by G.N. No. 77 of 1962
- "shorthand writer" includes an operator of palantype or other authorised apparatus

whereby words may be recorded in shorthand;

- "transcriber" means a person who-
- (a) operates any apparatus for the audible reproduction of a record of proceedings made by recording apparatus; or
- *Palantype, Pitman's shorthand and Gregg's shorthand authorised by G.N. No. 77 of 1962.
 - (b) reads any shorthand record of proceedings and transcribes such record O. 32 into a typewritten or other longhand copy of such record.
 (As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)
- **2.** (1) In every cause or matter a record of the oral evidence shall, at the discretion of the presiding Judge or Registrar, be made in longhand by the presiding Judge or Registrar or in shorthand by such Judge or Registrar or by an official or other shorthand writer, or by means of recording apparatus.

Recording of evidence

- (2) No formal direction by the presiding Judge or Registrar as to the manner of making such record shall be required, except where such record is to be made in shorthand or by means of recording apparatus by a person other than the presiding Judge or Registrar or an official shorthand writer or official recording apparatus operator.
- (3) Every such record made in longhand or shorthand shall be made in the English language:

Provided that the presiding Judge or Registrar may direct that the whole or any part of the evidence shall be recorded as well in any other language employed by a witness.

- (4) Every such record made in longhand or in shorthand by a person other than the presiding Judge or Registrar shall be verbatim showing separately each question and the answer thereto.
- (5) Every such record made in longhand or in shorthand by a person other than the presiding Judge or Registrar shall be certified by the writer or shorthand writer who made it to be a true record and such certificate shall be signed and dated by the person who shall make it.
- (6) Every such record made by means of recording apparatus shall be labelled and made secure in the manner directed by the Registrar, by the recording apparatus operator who made it.
- (7) (a) Unless the presiding Judge or Registrar shall otherwise direct, every record of evidence made in shorthand shall be placed in the docket containing the papers relating to the case of which it is a record.
 - (b) Every record of evidence made by means of recording apparatus, together with any notes thereon, made by a recording apparatus operator shall be filed in accordance with directions given by the Registrar.
- **3.** In every cause or matter, any part of the proceedings other than the oral evidence may, at the discretion of the presiding Judge or Registrar, be recorded in the manner set out in the last preceding rule in so far as the same is applicable, or by the presiding Judge or Registrar making a note in longhand or shorthand, of that part of the proceedings not so recorded.

Recording of proceedings O. 32

4. (1) No transcript shall be made of a record of proceedings made in shorthand or by means of recording apparatus except by the direction of the presiding Judge or the Registrar:

Transcription of record of proceedings

Provided that such direction shall not be required where application is made-

- by the Attorney-General for a copy of the record of any criminal proceedings;
- (ii) by the Attorney-General for a copy of the record of any matrimonial proceedings; or

(iii) by any party to a cause or matter for a copy of the record of the proceedings in such cause or matter;

or where it is necessary for a transcript of the whole or any part of such record to be made for incorporation in a record of appeal for an appeal to the Supreme Court of Zambia in accordance with the rules of that Court.

(2) Every record of proceedings which shall be transcribed shall be certified by the transcriber to be a true and correct transcript and such certificate shall be signed and dated by the person who shall make it. A transcript so certified shall, subject to any amendment by the presiding Judge or Registrar, be deemed to be correct, and shall constitute part of the records of the Court.

(As amended by S.I. No. 63 of 1964 and S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

5. (1) Application may be made by any person to the Registrar for a transcript to be made of the record of the proceedings in any cause or matter and for a copy of such transcript, or for a copy of any transcript thereof previously made, and he shall state his reasons for such application. The Registrar may, subject to the directions of the presiding Judge, and shall, if the applicant was a party to the cause or matter, authorise the making of a transcript of such proceedings and the supply to the applicant of a copy thereof, or the supply of a copy of any previously existing transcript of such evidence, in either case upon payment of the prescribed fees by the applicant, except where the applicant shall be exempted from the payment of such fees as hereinafter provided. A party who was not exempted from the payment of such fees, shall pay the prescribed fee for making such transcript as well as the fee for the copy.

Supply of copies of transcript and fees therefor

(2) Any party to any criminal cause or matter at whose request a transcript of the record of proceedings therein is made and a copy thereof supplied, or a copy of any transcript of such proceedings previously made is supplied for the purpose of an appeal to the Supreme Court of Zambia, and who is a poor appellant within the meaning of the Legal Aid Act, shall be totally, or partially, exempted from payment of the prescribed fees for the making of the transcript or the supply of a copy thereof, or of any previously existing transcript, or both, according to the total or partial exemption of payment of fees of the Supreme Court granted to such party in accordance with the Legal Aid Act.

O.32, 33 Cap. 34 Cap. 34

(As amended by S.I. No. 63 of 1964 and S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

6. (1) Every official shorthand writer, official recording apparatus operator or official transcriber shall be deemed to be an officer of the Court and shall, before entering on his duties, take before the Registrar an oath or affirmation in the appropriate form prescribed in the Fourth Schedule.

aths

(2) Every shorthand writer, recording apparatus operator or transcriber, other than an official shorthand writer, official recording apparatus operator or official transcriber, shall be a person approved by the presiding Judge or Registrar for employment in recording or transcribing the proceedings in a particular cause or matter and shall for that purpose be deemed to be an officer of the Court. Every such shorthand writer, recording apparatus operator or transcriber shall, before entering on his duties, take before the Registrar an oath or affirmation in the appropriate form prescribed in the Fourth Schedule.

ORDER XXXIII

POSTPONEMENT OF HEARING

1. The Court may postpone the hearing of any civil cause or matter, on being satisfied that the postponement is likely to have the effect of better ensuring the hearing and determination of the questions between the parties on the merits, and is not made for the purpose of mere delay. The postponement may be made on such terms as to the Court seem just.

In what cases

2. Where such an application is made on the grounds of the absence of a witness, the Court shall require to be satisfied that his evidence is material, and that he is likely to return and give evidence within a reasonable time.

Absence of witness

3. Where an application is made for the purpose of enabling the party applying to obtain the evidence of a witness resident out of the jurisdiction, the Court shall require to be satisfied that the evidence of the witness is material, and that he is permanently residing out of the jurisdiction, or does not intend to come within the jurisdiction within a reasonable time.

Witness out of jurisdiction

ORDER XXXIV

O. 34, 35

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Subject to the provisions of the Act and these Rules, the Court may, in its discretion, appoint any day or days, from time to time, for the hearing of causes and matters, as circumstances require.

Days of sittings

(As amended by No. 309 of 1960)

2. Subject to special arrangements for any particular day, the business of the day shall be taken, as nearly as circumstances permit, in the following order:

Order of business at sittings

- (a) Judgments standing over for delivery;
- (b) Ex parte motions;
- (c) Motions on notice, and arguments on showing cause against orders;
- (a) Civil causes and matters for hearing.

The above shall be taken in the order in which they stand in the lists, unless the Court sees fit to vary the order.

ORDER XXXV

NON-ATTENDANCE OF PARTIES AT HEARING

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1. Where a civil cause on the cause list has been called, if neither party appears, the Court shall, unless it sees good reason to the contrary, strike the cause out of the cause list.

Non-appearance of both parties

2. If the plaintiff does not appear, the Court shall, unless it sees good reason to the contrary, strike out the cause (except as to any counter-claim by the defendant), and make such order as to costs, in favour of any defendant appearing, as seems just:

Of plaintiff

Provided that, if the defendant shall admit the cause of action to the full amount claimed, the Court may, if it thinks fit, give judgment as if the plaintiff had appeared.

3. If the plaintiff appears, and the defendant does not appear or sufficiently excuse his absence, or neglects to answer when duly called, the Court may, upon proof of service of notice of trial, proceed to hear the cause and give judgment on the evidence adduced by the plaintiff, or may postpone the hearing of the cause and direct notice of such postponement to be given to the defendant.

Of defendant

Where the defendant to a cause which has been struck out under rule 2 has a counter-claim, the Court may, on due proof of service on the plaintiff of notice thereof, proceed to hear the counter-claim and give judgment on the evidence adduced by the defendant, or may postpone the hearing of the counter-claim and direct notice of such postponement to be given to the plaintiff.

Counter-claim where plaintiff does not appear O. 35, 36

5. Any judgment obtained against any party in the absence of such party may, on sufficient cause shown, be set aside by the Court, upon such terms as may seem fit.

Setting aside of judgment made in absence of party

6. Any civil cause struck out may, by leave of the Court, be replaced on the cause list, on such terms as to the Court may seem fit.

Relisting of cause struck out

ORDER XXXVI

JUDGMENT

1. The decision or judgment in any suit shall be delivered in open court, unless the Delivery of judgment Court otherwise directs.

2. If the Court reserves judgment at the hearing, parties to the suit shall be served with notice to attend and hear judgment, unless the Court, at the hearing, states the day on which judgment will be delivered, in which case there shall be no further notice.

Notice when reserved

3. All parties shall be deemed to have notice of the decision or judgment, if pronounced at the hearing, and all parties served with notice to attend and hear judgment shall be deemed to have notice of the judgment when pronounced.

When parties deemed to have notice

4. A minute of every judgment, whether final or interluctory, shall be made, and every such minute shall be a decree of the Court, and shall have the full force and effect of a formal decree. The Court or a Judge may order a formal decree to be drawn up on the application of either party.

Minute of judgment: its effect. First Schedule, Form 33

5. If the defendant shall have been allowed to set off any demand or counter-claim against the claim of the plaintiff, the judgment shall state what amount, if any, is due to the plaintiff, and what amount, if any, is due to the defendant, and shall be for the recovery of any sum which shall appear to be due to either party. The judgment with respect to any sum awarded to the defendant shall have the same effect and be subject to the same rules as if such sum had been claimed by the defendant in a separate suit against the plaintiff.

Where set-off allowed

6. A person directed by a decree or order to pay money or do any other act is bound to obey the decree or order without any demand for payment or performance, and, if no time is therein expressed, he is bound to do so immediately after the decree or order has been made (except as to costs, the amount whereof may require to be ascertained by taxation), unless the time shall be enlarged by any subsequent order.

Decree to be obeyed without demand

7. The Court or a Judge, at the time of making any judgment or order, or at any time afterwards, may direct the time within which the payment or other act is to be made or done, reckoned from the date of the judgment or order, or from some other point of time, as the Court or a Judge thinks fit.

O. 36, 37 Court may direct time for payment or performance

8. Where a judgment or order is for a sum of money, interest shall be paid thereon at the average of the short-term deposit-rate per annum prevailing from the date of the cause of action or writ as the court or judge may direct to the date of judgment

Rate of interest

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

9. Where any judgment or order directs the payment of money, the Court or a Judge may, for any sufficient reason, order that the amount shall be paid by installments, with or without interest. The order may be made at the time of giving judgment, or at any time afterwards, and may be rescinded or varied upon sufficient cause, at any time. The order shall state that, upon the failure of any installment, the whole amount remaining unpaid shall forthwith become due:

Payment by installments and stay of execution

Provided that where there is a default in paying any one installment, there shall be no order for stay of execution on the balance.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

Except as provided for under rule 9, the Court or Judge may, on sufficient Register of execution grounds, order stay of execution of judgment.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

ORDER XXXVII

(No. 309 of 1960)

RECORDING OF JUDGMENTS

Every judgment entered at any Registry of the High Court for a fixed or liquidated sum of money shall be recorded by the proper officer in the Judgments Register which shall be kept there. Any other judgment or order shall be recorded in the Civil Causes Register.

Register of judgments

2. Subject as hereinafter provided by this rule, every Judgments Register and the Judgments Section of every Civil Causes Register shall be open for personal inspection during the hours in which a Registry is open to the public.

Judgment Registers open to inspection

3. Where it is desired to make a personal search of the Judgments Register or of the Judgments Section of the Civil Causes Register for entries against a named person, the applicant shall first lodge at the Registry in which a search is to be made a form of application in the prescribed form and shall pay the fees prescribed.

Individual searches First Schedule, Form

When it is desired to make general searches, during any calendar year, of the Judgments Register in any Registry of the High Court for entries against any number of unspecified judgment debtors, the applicant shall first apply to the Registrar of the High Court in the prescribed form and, on payment of the prescribed fee, the Registrar of the High Court shall issue or cause to be issued to such applicant a form of permit in the prescribed form. The production of such form of permit signed by the Registrar shall be sufficient authority to make general searches of the Judgments Registers kept in each Registry during the period specified in such permit and at times when such Registers are open for public inspection.

O. 37, 38 General searches First Schedule, Forms 51 and 52

Where any judgment entered in a Judgments Register or a Civil Causes Register has been set aside, varied or reversed, the Registrar shall insert or cause to be inserted in the Judgments Register or Civil Causes Register, as the case may be, a note to that effect against the record of such judgment.

Judgments set aside, varied or reversed

Where any judgment entered in a Judgments Register or a Civil Causes Register has been wholly satisfied or complied with, the Registrar shall, on an application in writing made by any party to the action in which the judgment was entered, and upon proof of the satisfaction thereof, insert or cause to be inserted in the Judgments Register or Civil Causes Register, as the case may be, a note to that effect against the record of such judgment.

Judgments satisfied

ORDER XXXVIII

(No. 309 of 1960)

THE AFFILIATION AND MAINTENANCE OF CHILDREN ACT

I-INTERPRETATION

1. In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires"the Act" means the Affliation and Maintenance of Children Act
"proper officer" means(a) in the case of the High Court, the officer designated by the Registrar for the purposes of the provision of the Act in which the expression occurs: and

"register" means the register kept for the purposes of the Act.

(b)

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997

II-PROCEDURE UNDER PART V OF THE ACT

in the case of a subordinate court, the clerk of that court;

O. 38

2. (1) An application for the registration of a maintenance order in a subordinate Registration of orders court may be made-

(a) on the making of the maintenance order, or an order varying the maintenance order; or

- (b) at any time by lodging with the proper officer an affidavit by the applicant, together with a copy thereof, stating-
 - (i) the address and occupation of the person liable to make payments under the order:
 - (ii) the date of service of the order on the person liable to make payments thereunder or, if the maintenance order has not been served, the reason why service has not been effected;
 - (iii) the reason why registration of the order in a magistrate's court is desired:
 - (iv) the amount of any arrears due to the applicant under the order;
 - (v) that the order is not already registered under the Act; and
 - (vi) whether any proceedings are pending, or any writ, warrant or other process is in force, for the enforcement of the order.
- (2) Where the application is granted-
 - (a) the applicant shall, if he has not already done so, lodge with the proper officer a certified copy of the maintenance order;
 - (b) no proceedings shall be begun, and no writ, warrant or other process shall be issued for the enforcement of the maintenance order before the registration of the order or before the expiration of fourteen days from the grant of the application, whichever first occurs;
 - (c) the proper officer shall, on being satisfied within the said period of fourteen days that no such proceedings or process begun or issued before the grant of the application remain pending or in force, submit a certified copy of the order endorsed with the note that the application has been granted, together with a copy of any affidavit lodged under sub-rule (1), to the clerk of the subordinate court for the District in which the person liable to make payments under the order appears to be;
 - (a) on receipt of notice that the order has been duly registered in the subordinate court, the proper officer shall enter particulars of the registration in the court minutes.
- (3) On receipt of a certified copy of a subordinate court order sent to him pursuant to O. 38 the Act, the proper officer shall cause the order to be registered in the High Court by filing the copy and making an entry in the register, and shall send notice to the clerk of the subordinate court that the order has been duly registered.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

3. (1) Where the High Court makes an order varying or discharging an order registered in a subordinate court, the proper officer shall send a certified copy of the original order to the clerk of the subordinate court.

Variation or discharge of registered order

- (2) Where a certified copy of an order varying a High Court order registered in a subordinate court is received from the clerk of the subordinate court, the proper officer shall file the copy and enter particulars of the variation in the places in which particulars of the registration are required by paragraph (a) sub-rule (2), rule 2 to be entered.
- (3) Where a subordinate court varies or refuses to vary a High Court order registered in the subordinate court, an appeal from the variation or refusal shall lie to a Judge of the High Court, and shall be heard by the Judge in chambers or in a court as he shall direct.
- (4) Where a certified copy of an order varying or discharging a subordinate court order registered in the High Court is received from the clerk of the subordinate court, the proper officer shall-
 - (a) file the copy; and
 - (b) enter particulars of the variation or discharge in the register.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

4. (1) If a person entitled to receive payments under an order registered in the High Court desires the registration to be cancelled, he may give notice under sub-section (1) of *twenty-four* of the Act by notifying the proper officer.

Cancellation of registration

- (2) Where the High Court, on varying or discharging an order registered in a subordinate court, decides to give notice under sub-section (2) of the section *twenty-four* of the Act, the proper officer shall endorse the notice on the certified copy referred to in sub-rule (1) of rule 3.
- (3) Where notice is given under section *twenty-four* of the Act in respect of an order registered in the High Court, the proper officer, on being satisfied by an affidavit by the person entitled to receive payments under the order that no process for the enforcement of the order issued before the giving of the notice remains in force, shall-
 - (a) cancel the registration by entering particulars of the notice in the register; O. 38
 - (b) send notice of the cancellation to the clerk of the subordinate court by which the order was made, stating that the cancellation is in consequence of a notice given under subsection (1) of section twenty-four.

(4) Where notice is received from the clerk of a subordinate court that the registration of an order in the High Court has been cancelled, the proper officer shall enter particulars of the cancellation in the places in which particulars of the registration are required by paragraph (a), sub-rule (2) of rule 2.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

5. (1) An application for an attachment of earnings order by a person entitled to receive payments under a maintenance order shall be made to the Court or a Judge by summons and the respondent to the application (in this Part called the defendant) shall be the person liable to make payments under the maintenance order.

Application for attachment of earnings order

- (2) Where a maintenance order has been registered and has been entered under its cause number and title, any application for an attachment of earnings order shall be made by summons.
 - (3) The summons shall be supported by an affidavit by the applicant stating-
 - (a) particulars of the maintenance order;
 - (b) the date of the service of the maintenance order on the defendant or, if the maintenance order has not been served, the reason why service has not been effected:
 - (c) the amount of any arrears due to the applicant under the maintenance order;
 - (a) particulars of any proceedings which have been taken for the enforcement of the maintenance order;
 - (e) the name and address of any person believed to be the defendant's employer;
 - (1) any of the following particulars relating to the defendant as are known to the applicant:
 - (i) his full name and address;
 - (ii) his age;
 - (iii) his place of work;
 - (iv) the nature of his work;
 - (g) any other facts relevant to the means of the defendant as are known to the applicant.

(4) Unless otherwise directed, the summons, together with a copy of the affidavit in support, shall be served on the defendant, either by way of personal service or by post letter sent to the address shown on the original order or the last known address of the defendant, at least fourteen days before the return date; and the defendant may, within ten days after service, file an affidavit in answer and in that case shall deliver a copy of his affidavit to the applicant within twenty-four hours after filing it.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

6. An order made under sub-section (1) of section *thirty-four* of the Act (which empowers the Court to order a defendant to give particulars for the purpose of enabling him to be identified) may specify any of the particulars referred to in paragraph (1), sub-rule (3) of rule 5 and an attachment of earnings order shall contain such of those particulars as are known to the Court.

Particulars

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

7. (1) An attachment of earnings order shall be in Form 34 set out in the First Schedule and when drawn up by the applicant or his advocate four copies thereof shall be furnished.

Form and service of order

- (2) The Court shall cause a copy of every attachment of earnings order and of every order varying or discharging such an order to be served on the defendant and on the person to whom the attachment of earnings order is directed.
- (3) Service on a person other than a corporation shall be effected by sending the copy of the order to him at his last known place of residence or postal address, or, where he is the person to whom the attachment of earnings order is directed, at his place of business or the postal address thereof.
- (4) Service on a corporation shall be effected by sending the copy of the Order to the registered office of the corporation, or, if the corporation has no registered office, to any place where it resides or carries on business:

Provided that where the corporation has requested that any communication relating to the defendant or to the class or description of persons to which he belongs shall be directed to the corporation at a particular address, service may be effected at that address instead of at the registered office of the corporation or a place where it resides or carries on business.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

8. Where an attachment of earnings order ceases to have effect and the related maintenance order-

Notice of cessation of order

- (a) was made by the High Court and is not registered in a subordinate court 0.38 under the Act;
- was made by a subordinate court and is registered in the High Court under (b) the Act; or
- has ceased to be registered in the High Court under section thirty-two of the (c)

the proper officer shall give notice of the cessation to the person to whom the order was directed.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

9. (1) The officer to whom payment is directed to be made under an attachment of Appropriate variation earnings order made by the High Court shall give notice where the arrears under the related maintenance order have been discharged by sending the notice in form 35 set out in the First Schedule to the person to whom he is required to pay sums received under the attachment of earnings order and to the defendant.

(2) Where notice is given under sub-rule (1), the defendant may apply within fourteen days after the date of the notice, for an order discharging or varying the attachment of earnings order; and such an application shall be made to the Court or a Judge by summons returnable not less than four days after service on the person in whose favour the attachment of earnings order was made.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

10. (1) A person to whom an attachment of earnings order made by the High Court is directed shall give notice under sub-section (4) of section thirty-three of the Act (which relates to cases in which such a person is not the defendant's employer) by sending a notice in Form 36 in the First Schedule to the proper officer.

Notice of non-employment of defendant

(2) Where, on receipt of a notice under sub-rule (1), the Court discharges the attachment of earnings order in pursuance of sub-section (3) of section thirty-two of the Act, the Court shall cause the person in whose favour the order was made to be notified of the discharge.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

11. Where an attachment of earnings order has been made by the High Court, an application under subsection (1) of section thirty-five of the Act (which enables the Court to determine whether payments of a particular class or description are earnings) by the person to whom the order is directed by the defendant or by the person in whose favour the order was made (in this rule called the parties to the order) shall be made to the Court or a Judge by summons returnable not less than four days after service on the parties to the order other than the applicant.

Application for determination whether payments are earnings

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

ORDER XXXIX

O. 39, 40

REVIEW

1. Any Judge may, upon such grounds as he shall consider sufficient, review any judgment or decision given by him (except where either party shall have obtained leave to appeal, and such appeal is not withdrawn), and, upon such review, it shall be lawful for him to open and rehear the case wholly or in part, and to take fresh evidence, and to reverse, vary or confirm his previous judgment or decision:

Power of review

Provided that where the judge who was seised of the matter has since died or ceased to have jurisdiction for any reason, another judge may review the matter.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

2. Any application for review of any judgment or decision must be made not later than fourteen days after such judgment or decision. After the expiration of fourteen days, an application for review shall not be admitted, except by special leave of the Judge on such terms as seem just.

Application within 14 days

3. The application shall not of itself operate as a stay of execution unless the Judge so orders, and such order may be made, upon such terms as to security for performance of the judgment or decision or otherwise as the Judge may consider necessary. Any money in court in the suit shall be retained to abide the result of the motion or the further order of the Judge.

Application not a stay of proceedings

ORDER XL

COSTS

1. Under the denomination of costs is included the whole of the expenses necessarily incurred by either party on account of any cause or matter, and in enforcing the decree or order made therein, such as the expenses of summoning and of the attendance of the parties and witnesses, and of procuring copies of documents, the fees of court, or the remuneration of referees or mediator.

What included in costs

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

2. All questions relating to the amount of costs shall, unless summarily determined by the Court, be referred to a taxing officer, and, after notice of taxation to the parties, be ascertained by him.

How amount of costs determined

(No. 309 of 1960)

3. (1) Any party to any taxation proceedings who is dissatisfied with the allowance or disallowance in whole or in part of any item by a taxing officer, or with the amount allowed by a taxing officer in respect of any item, may apply to the taxing officer to review his decision in respect of that item.

Application to taxing officer for review O. 40

(2) An application under this rule for review of a taxing officer's decision may be made at any time within fourteen days after that decision or such shorter period as may be fixed by the taxing officer:

Provided that no application under this rule for review of a decision in respect of any item may be made after the signing of the taxing officer's certificate dealing finally with that item.

- (3) Every applicant for review under this rule shall at the time of making his application deliver to the taxing officer objections in writing specifying by a list the items or parts of items the allowance or disallowance of which, or the amount allowed in respect of which, is objected to and stating concisely the nature and grounds of the objection in each case, and shall deliver a copy of the objections to each other party (if any) who attended on the taxation of those items or to whom the taxing officer directs that a copy of the objections shall be delivered.
- (4) Any party to whom a copy of the objections is delivered under this rule may, within fourteen days after delivery of the copy to him or such shorter period as may be fixed by the taxing officer, deliver to the taxing officer answers in writing to the objections stating concisely the grounds on which he will oppose the objections, and shall at the same time deliver a copy of the answers to the party applying for review and to each other party (if any) to whom a copy of the objections has been delivered or to whom the taxing officer directs that a copy of the answers shall be delivered.

(No. 309 of 1960)

4. (1) Where an application is made under the last foregoing rule for a review of a decision of an Assistant Registrar empowered to tax bills of costs, the review shall be carried out by a taxing master; but, save as aforesaid, a review under the last foregoing rule shall be carried out by the taxing master to whom the taxation was originally assigned.

Review by taxing master

- (2) On reviewing any decision in respect of any item, a taxing master may receive further evidence and may exercise all the powers which he might exercise on an original taxation in respect of that item, including the power to award costs of and incidental to the proceedings before him; and any costs awarded by him to any party may be taxed by him and may be added to or deducted from any other sum payable to or by that party in respect of costs.
- (3) A taxing master who has reviewed a decision in respect of any item shall issue 0.40 his certificate accordingly and, if requested to do so by any party to the proceedings before him, shall state in his certificate or otherwise in writing by reference to the objections to that decision the reasons for his decision on the review, and any special facts or circumstances relevant to it.

(No. 309 of 1960)

5. (1) Any party who is dissatisfied with the decision of a taxing master to allow or to disallow any item in whole or in part on review under the two last foregoing rules, or with the amount allowed in respect of any item by a taxing master on any such review, may apply to a Judge for an order to review the taxation as to that item or part of an item.

Review of taxing master's certificate by a Judge

- (2) An application under this rule for review of a taxing master's decision in respect of any item may be made at any time within fourteen days after the taxing master's certificate in respect of that item is signed, or such longer time as the taxing master at the time when he signs the certificate, or the Court at any time, may allow.
- (3) An application under this rule shall be made by summons and shall, except where the Judge thinks fit to adjourn into court, be heard in chambers.
- (4) Unless the Judge otherwise directs, no further evidence shall be received on the hearing of an application under this rule, and no ground of objection shall be raised which was not raised on the review by the taxing master but, save as aforesaid, on the hearing of any such application the Judge may exercise all such powers and discretion as are vested in the taxing master in relation to the subject-matter of the application.
- (5) On an application under this rule the Judge may make such order as the circumstances require, and in particular may order the taxing master's certificate to be amended or, except where the dispute as to the item under review is as to amount only, order the item to be remitted to the same or another taxing master for taxation.

(No. 309 of 1960)

6. The cost of every suit or matter and of each particular proceeding therein shall be in the discretion of the Court or a Judge; and the Court or a Judge shall have full power to award and apportion costs, in any manner it or he may deem just, and, in the absence of any express direction by the Court or a Judge, costs shall abide the event of the suit or proceeding:

Costs in discretion of Court

Provided that the Court shall not order the successful party in a suit to pay to the unsuccessful party the costs of the whole suit; although the Court may order the successful party, notwithstanding his success in the suit, to pay the costs of any particular proceeding therein.

7. The Court or a Judge may, on the application of any defendant, if it or he sees fit, require any plaintiff in any suit, either at the commencement or at any time during the progress thereof, to give security for costs to the satisfaction of the Court or a Judge, by deposit or otherwise, or to give further or better security, and may require any defendant to give security, or further or better security, for the costs of any particular proceeding undertaken in his interest.

O. 40, 41 Security for costs

8. Where the Court or a Judge orders costs to be paid, or security to be given for costs by any party, the Court or a Judge may, if it or he thinks fit, order all proceedings by or on behalf of that party in the same suit or proceeding, or connected therewith, to be stayed until the costs are paid or security given accordingly, but such order shall not supersede the use of any other lawful method of enforcing payment.

Stay of proceedings pending payment or security for costs

9. The Court or a Judge may order any costs to be paid out of any fund or property to which a suit or matter relates.

Costs out of fund in suit

Upon taxation of costs, the taxing officer may, in determining the remuneration to be allowed, have regard, subject to any rule of court, to the skill, labour and responsibility involved. If, on having regard to the said matters, the taxing officer considers that there are special reasons why costs in excess of those laid down in the Schedule to the Practitioners (Costs) Order should be allowed in any cause or matter, he may, in respect of any particular application made or business done, allow such costs as seem to him reasonable.

Discretion of taxing officer S.I. No. 88 of 1980

(As amended by No. 165 of 1950, No. 309 of 1960, No. 206 of 1964 and No. 92 of 1980)

In taxation of costs between party and party, nothing shall be allowed in respect of fees paid to the Court beyond what was necessary having regard to the amount recovered on judgment.

Taxation

A reference to a page in any provision relating to costs shall mean a sheet of Definition of page 12. A4 size.

(As amended by S.I. No. 105 of 1986 and S.I. No. 174 of 1990)

ORDER XLI

ENFORCEMENT OF ORDERS

Any order of the Court or a Judge made in any civil cause or matter may be Orders in general enforced in the same manner as a decree to the same effect.

Any interlocutory order may be enforced by any of the methods applicable thereto by which a final order is enforceable.

Interlocutory orders

If any party fails to comply with any order to answer interrogatories, or for discovery or inspection of documents, he shall be liable to attachment. He shall also, if a plaintiff, be liable to have his action dismissed for want of prosecution, and, if a defendant, to have his defence, if any, struck out, and to be placed in the same position as if he had not defended, and the party interrogating or requiring discovery or inspection of documents may apply to the Court or a Judge for an order to that effect, and an order may be made accordingly.

O. 41, 42 Non-compliance with order for discovery

(No. 106 of 1959)

Interlocutory orders may also be enforced either in accordance with the provisions of Order XX (wherever applicable) or according to the following provisions:

Staying proceedings and judgment by default

If a plaintiff in a suit makes default or fails in fulfilling any interlocutory order, the Court may, if it thinks fit, stay further proceedings in the suit until the order is fulfilled, or may give a judgment of non-suit against such plaintiff, with or without liberty of bringing any other suit on the same grounds of action, or may make such other order on such terms as to the Court shall seem fit;

If a defendant in any suit makes such default or failure, the Court may give judgment by default against such defendant, or make such other order as to the Court may seem just:

Provided that any such judgment by default may be set aside by the Court, upon such terms as to costs or otherwise as the Court may think fit.

(As amended by No. 106 of 1959)

ORDER XLII

EXECUTION

1. All property whatsoever, real or personal, belonging to a party against whom execution is to be enforced, and whether held in his own name or by another party in trust for him or on his behalf (except the wearing apparel and bedding of himself or his family and the tools and implements of his trade, if any, to the value of five hundred Kwacha or, in the case of a farmer, one million Kwacha) is liable to attachment and sale in execution of the decree.

Property liable to execution.
First Schedule Forms 41 and 43-47

(As amended by No. 235 of 1958 and S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

2. In the case of a judgment registered under the provisions of Part V of the Service of Process and Execution of Judgments Act, the form of a writ of execution shall be varied as follows:

Form of writ of execution for use under the Service of Process and Execution of Judgments Act. Cap. 79 O. 42

For the words "which said sum of money and interest were lately before the High Court for Zambia," etc., there shall be substituted the words "which said sum of money and interest were lately in (describing the Court in which judgment was obtained)," etc., "and which judgment has been duly registered in the High Court for Zambia pursuant to Part V of the Service of Process and Execution of Judgments Act, and the further sum of K for the costs of the said registration;"

and any warrant issued under any such writ of execution shall be varied in a similar manner.

(No. 275 of 1959)

3. On any levy on the property of any person to satisfy an order or judgment of Court for the payment of money, the real property of such person shall only be sold if the personal property is insufficient.

Personal property first to be realised

4. In any proceedings by way of elegit any inquisition shall be conducted without oath by the Sheriff, Deputy Sheriff or Under-Sheriff, sitting without a jury, but he may in his discretion sit with assessors, and shall have all the powers of the Court for the summoning of such assessors and payment of their proper fees and expenses, and the High Court may at the request of any party to any such proceedings issue subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses, for payment of whose fees and expenses the Sheriff, Deputy Sheriff or Under-Sheriff may at his discretion make provision by order against any party to such proceedings.

Proceedings by way of elegit

(No. 235 of 1958)

5. (1) Except by express leave of the Court or a Judge, a writ of execution in respect of a final judgment entered in default of appearance pursuant to the provisions of Order XII shall be issued only if, and shall not be issued unless-

Issue of writ of execution

- (a) a copy of the default judgment entered has been served on the defendant in accordance with the provisions of Order X; and
- (b) a period of seven days has elapsed since the date of service of the default judgment on the defendant.
- (2) In every case, the writ of execution shall not be issued, except by express leave of the Court or a Judge, until three days after the day of the date of the order or judgment, but if the Court or a Judge sees it fit, it or he may order immediate execution.

(As amended by S.I. No. 30 of 1984)

6. No sale of goods taken in execution shall be made until the end of five days next after such goods were seized, unless such goods are perishable, or on the request of the party whose goods are seized. Where the property seized is of a value estimated to exceed fifty thousand kwacha, the sale shall be advertised at least once in a newspaper circulating in the district where the sale is to take place.

Procedure on execution O. 42

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

7. (1) In all cases the Sheriff, Under-Sheriff, bailiff or other person charged with the execution of any particular process shall render a return in Form 16 in the First Schedule within seven days after the execution thereof, whether in whole or in part, or after any payment to avoid such execution, specifying the extent to which such process shall have been executed or payment made, and, in the event of the same not being fully executed or payment in full not having been made at the expiration of the first and each succeeding month thereafter, he shall render a return in similar form specifying the reason or reasons why such execution is so incomplete.

Return of writ

(2) Where the Sheriff, Under-Sheriff, bailiff or other person is charged with the execution of a warrant of commitment or committal, he shall render a return of due execution within seven days after the same shall have been carried into effect or payment or part payment made in lieu, and, in the event of the same not having been carried into effect or payment made as aforesaid at the expiration of fourteen days from the date of receipt thereof and each succeeding fourteen days thereafter, he shall render a return specifying the reason or reasons for such non-execution.

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(3) Any return required to be rendered under the foregoing sub-rules shall be rendered to the Court in duplicate, and the duplicate thereof shall thereupon be despatched by the proper officer to the party's Advocate or to the party himself if he is acting in person, as the case may be, who has required such process or warrant to be executed.

(No. 106 of 1959)

8. When the Sheriff, Under-Sheriff, bailiff or other person is charged with the levying of an execution, he shall not enter into mere walking possession, nor delay the execution with a view to taking walking possession only, unless and until the person against whom such execution has been issued signs a request and authority for walking possession in Form 42 in the First Schedule.

Walking possession

(No. 106 of 1959)

9. A writ of execution if unexecuted shall remain in force for one year only from its issue, unless renewed in the manner hereinafter provided; but such writ may, at any time before its expiration, by leave of the Court or a Judge, be renewed by the party issuing it for one year from the date of such renewal, and so on from time to time during the continuance of the renewed writ, either by being marked with a seal of the Court bearing the date of the day, month and year of such renewal, or by such party giving a written notice of renewal to the Sheriff, signed by the party or his advocate, and bearing the like seal of the Court; and a writ of execution so renewed shall have effect, and be entitled to priority, according to the time of the original delivery thereof.

Renewal of writ O. 42

(No. 106 of 1959)

10. The production of a writ of execution, or of the notice renewing the same, purporting to be marked with such seal as in the last preceding rule mentioned, showing the same to have been renewed, shall be sufficient evidence of its having been so renewed.

Evidence of renewal

(No. 106 of 1959)

11. The Registrar may, at any time, take the direction of the Court or a Judge as to any application for execution, and, in the meanwhile, refuse to issue the writ.

Registrar may apply to Court for direction

12. In the case of negotiable instruments or debts due to the judgment debtor and the like, the Registrar shall, when in doubt as to the mode of attachment, take the direction of the Court or a Judge.

Reference to Court for direction

13. Where property attached is in the hands of a third party, notice of the attachment shall be served on such party, and, where such property consists of debts or of shares in a company, notice of the attachment shall be given to the debtor or to the company.

Attachment of property in the hands of other persons

14. Where directions have been given under rule 12, the Court shall have power to summon and examine all such persons as parties and witnesses respectively as it may consider necessary, and shall make such order releasing the property from the attachment, allowing or disallowing the claims of the third parties, and giving directions as to the costs of such inquiry, as it shall think fit, and such order shall be conclusive against all parties with notice thereof.

Power to summon witnesses, etc.

(As amended by No. 235 of 1958)

15. Property in the custody or under the control of any public officer in his official capacity shall be liable to attachment in execution of a decree with the consent of the Attorney-General, and property *in custodia legis* shall be liable to attachment by leave of the Court or a Judge. In such cases, the order of attachment must be served on such public officer, or on the Registrar, as the case may be.

Property in the custody of a public officer or in custodia legis

16. The Court may, at any time, issue a summons to the judgment debtor calling on him to appear and be examined respecting his ability to satisfy the judgment, as to the existence and value of his property and of any debts owing to him; and the judgment debtor may be examined as to the same upon oath.

Power to examine judgment debtor as to means

17. The Court may also examine any other party or witness it may think fit respecting the matters mentioned in the last preceding rule, and may make interim orders, if necessary, for the preservation of any property available towards the discharge of the decree.

Power to examine other witnesses

ORDER XLIII

O. 43

(No. 218 of 1944)

INTERPLEADER

1. Relief by way of interpleader may be granted:

When relief by interpleader granted

- (a) Where the person seeking relief (in this Order called the application) is under liability for any debt, money, goods or chattels, for or in respect of which he is or expects to be, sued by two or more parties (in this Order called the claimants) making adverse claims thereto;
- (b) Where the applicant is a Sheriff or other officer charged with the execution of process by or under the authority of the Court, and claim is made to any money, goods or chattels taken or intended to be taken in execution under any process, or to the proceeds or value of any such goods or chattels by any person other than the person against whom the process is issued.
- 2. The applicant must satisfy the Court or a Judge by affidavit or otherwise-

Matters to be proved by applicant

- that the applicant claims no interest in the subject-matter in dispute, other than for charges or costs; and
- (b) that the applicant does not collude with any of the claimants; and
- (c) that the applicant is willing to pay or transfer the subject-matter into Court or to dispose of it as the Court or a Judge may direct.

3. The applicant shall not be disentitled to relief by reason only that the titles of the claimants have not a common origin, but are adverse to and independent of one another.

Adverse titles of claimants

4. Where the applicant is a defendant in an action, application for relief may be made at any time after service of the writ of summons.

When application to be made by a defendant

5. The applicant may take out a summons calling on the claimants to appear and state the nature and particulars of their claims, and either to maintain or relinquish them.

Summons by applicant

6. If the application is made by a defendant in an action, the Court or a Judge may stay all further proceedings in the action.

Stay of action

7. If a claimant, having been duly served with the notice of the application, does not appear on the return day or having appeared neglects or refuses to comply with any order made after his appearance, the Court or a Judge may make an order declaring him, and all persons claiming under him, forever barred against the applicant, and persons claiming under him, but the order shall not affect the rights of the claimants as between themselves.

Failure of claimant to appear or to obey order O. 43, 44, 45

8. If the claimants appear at the hearing of the application, the Court or a Judge may order either that any claimant be made a defendant in any action already commenced in respect of the subject-matter in dispute in lieu of or in addition to the applicant, or that an issue between the claimants be stated and tried, and in the latter case may direct which of the claimants is to be plaintiff, and which defendant.

Order to be made at hearing of application

9. The Court or a Judge may, in or for the purposes of any interpleader proceedings, give all such directions for the disposal of any issue including the delivery of any pleadings and other matters and may make all such orders as to costs as may be just and reasonable.

Incidental orders and

ORDER XLIV

(No. 98 of 1958)

PROCEDURE ON APPLICATIONS UNDER COMPANIES ACT

1. The Rules of the Supreme Court of England in force immediately prior to the coming into effect of the Companies Act, 1948, of the United Kingdom, and the general practice therein as regards the procedure on applications under the Companies Act, 1929, of the United Kingdom, shall apply as far as circumstances may permit to all applications made under the Companies Act or any Act in amendment or substitution thereof, except if and so far as any such Act otherwise provides.

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ORDER XLV

REFERENCE TO ARBITRATION

1. If the parties to a suit are desirous that the matters in difference between them Order of reference in the suit, or any of such matters, should be referred to the final decision of one or more arbitrator or arbitrators, they may apply to the Court or a Judge, at any time before final judgment, for an order of reference; and the Court or a Judge may, on such application, make an order of reference accordingly.

The arbitrators shall be nominated by the parties in such manner as may be agreed upon between them. If the parties cannot agree with respect to the nomination of the arbitrators, or if the persons nominated by them shall refuse to accept the arbitration, and the parties are desirous that the nomination shall be made by the Court or a Judge, the Court or a Judge shall appoint the arbitrators.

Appointment of arbitrators

3. The Court or a Judge shall, by an order under the seal of the Court, refer to the arbitrators the matters in difference in the suit which they may be required to determine, and shall fix such time as it or he may think reasonable for the delivery of the award, and the time so fixed shall be specified in the order.

Form of order of reference

If the reference be to two or more arbitrators, provision shall be made in the order for a difference of opinion among the arbitrators, by the appointment of an umpire, or by declaring that the decision shall be with the majority, or by empowering the arbitrators to appoint an umpire, or otherwise as may be agreed upon between the parties; or, if they cannot agree, as the Court or a Judge may determine.

Appointment of umpire where necessary

5. When a reference is made to arbitration by an order of the Court or a Judge, the same process to the parties and witnesses whom the arbitrators or umpire may desire to have examined shall issue as in ordinary suits, and persons not attending in compliance with such process, or making any other default, or refusing to give their testimony, or being guilty of any contempt of the arbitrators or umpire during the investigation of the suit, shall be subject to the like disadvantages, penalties and punishments, by order of the Court, on the representation of the arbitrators or umpire, as they would incur for the same offences in suits tried before the Court.

Enforcing attendance of witnesses

6. When the arbitrators shall not have been able to complete the award within the period specified in the order, from want of the necessary evidence or information, or other good and sufficient cause, the Court or a Judge may, from time to time, enlarge the period for delivery of the award, if it or he shall think proper. In any case in which an umpire shall have been appointed, it shall be lawful for him to enter on the reference in lieu of the arbitrators, if they shall have allowed their time, or their extended time, to expire without making an award, or shall have delivered to the Court, or to the umpire, a notice in writing stating that they cannot agree:

Extension of time for making award

Provided that an award shall not be liable to be set aside only by reason of its not having been completed within the period allowed by the Court or a Judge, unless on proof that the delay in completing the award arose from misconduct of the arbitrators or umpire, or unless the award shall have been made after the issue of an order by the Court or a Judge superseding the arbitration and recalling the suit.

7. If, in any case of reference to arbitration by an order of the Court or a Judge, the arbitrators or umpire shall die, or refuse to act or become incapable of acting, it shall be lawful for the Court or a Judge to appoint a new arbitrator or arbitrators, or umpire, in the place of the person or persons so dying, or refusing to act or becoming incapable of acting. Where the arbitrators are empowered, by the terms of the order of reference, to appoint an umpire, and do not appoint an umpire, any of the parties may serve the arbitrators with a written notice to appoint an umpire; and, if, within seven days after such notice shall have been served, no umpire be appointed, it shall be lawful for the Court or a Judge, upon the application of the party having served such notice as aforesaid, and upon proof to its or his satisfaction of such notice having been served, to appoint an umpire. In any case of appointment under this rule, the arbitrators or umpire so appointed shall have the like power to act in the reference as if their names had been inserted in the original order of reference.

Power of Court in case of death, incapacity or refusal to act O. 45

8. The award shall contain a conclusive finding, and may not find on the contingency of any matter of fact being afterwards substantiated or deposed to. It shall comprehend a finding on each of the several matters referred.

Finding to be positive

9. It shall be lawful for the arbitrators or umpire, upon any reference by an order of the Court or a Judge, if they think fit, and if it is not provided to the contrary, to state their award as to the whole or any part thereof in the form of a special case for the opinion of the Court.

Special case for opinion of Court

10. The Court may, on the application of either party, modify or correct an award where it appears that a part of the award is upon matters not referred to the arbitrators, if such part can be separated from the other part, and does not affect the decision on the matter referred; or where the award is imperfect in form, or contains any obvious error which can be amended without affecting such decision.

Court may modify or correct award

11. The Court may also, on the application of either party, make such order as it thinks just respecting the costs of the arbitration, if any question arise respecting such costs or their amount, and the award contain no sufficient provision concerning them.

Power as to costs

12. In any of the following cases, the Court shall have power to remit the award, or any of the matters referred to arbitration, for consideration by the arbitrators or the umpire, upon such terms as it may think proper, that is to say:

Power of Court to remit award for reconsideration

- (a) If the award has left undetermined some of the matters referred to arbitration, or if it has determined matters not referred to arbitration;
- (b) If the award is so indefinite as to be incapable of execution;
- (c) If an objection to the legality of the award is apparent upon the face of the award.

13. No award shall be liable to be set aside except on the ground of perverseness or misconduct of the arbitrator or umpire. Any application to set aside an award shall be made within fifteen days after the publication thereof.

Setting aside award

14. If no application shall have been made to set aside the award, or to remit the same or any of the matters referred for reconsideration, or if the Court shall have refused any such application, either party may file the award in Court, and the award shall thereupon have the same force and effect for all purposes as a judgment.

Filing award: effect of O. 45, 46

ORDER XLVI

PROBATE AND ADMINISTRATION

I-General

1. When it appears that any paper of a deceased person dying within the jurisdiction, being or purporting to be testamentary, is in the possession or under the control of any person, the Court or a Judge may, in a summary way, whether a suit or proceeding for probate or administration is pending or not, order him to produce the paper.

Court may order production

2. Where it appears that there are reasonable grounds for believing that any person has knowledge of any paper being or purporting to be testamentary (although it is not shown that the paper is in his possession or under his control), the Court or a Judge may, in a summary way, whether a suit or proceeding for probate or administration is pending or not, order that he be examined respecting the same orally or on interrogatories, and that he do attend for that purpose, and, after examination, that he do produce the paper.

Examination respecting testamentary papers

3. The Court may, of its own motion or on the application of any person claiming an interest under a will, give notice to the executors, if any, therein named, to come in and prove the will or to renounce probate, and they, or some one of them, shall, within fourteen days after notice, come in and prove or renounce accordingly.

Notice to executor to come in and prove

4. Suits respecting probate or administration shall be instituted and carried on, as nearly as may be, in the like manner as suits in respect of ordinary claims.

Form of suits

5. Where the whole estate of a person, whether testate or intestate, shall not exceed in value the sum of five hundred thousand kwacha, the husband, widow or next of kin, residing within the jurisdiction, may apply to the Registrar personally, or by letter, and the Registrar shall prepare the necessary papers to lead a grant of probate or letters of administration, as the case may be, to the estate of the deceased.

Small estates

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

The Registrar shall refuse to proceed with the application if he has reason to believe the estate exceeds the sum of five hundred thousand kwacha.

Registrar may refuse application

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

II-Custody of Wills

O. 46, 47

Any person may, in his lifetime, deposit for safe custody in the Court his own will, sealed up under his own seal and the seal of the Court, and may, notwithstanding the provisions of rule 9, at any time withdraw such will.

Testator may deposit

(As amended by S.I. No. 37 of 1964)

8. Every original will of which probate or administration with will annexed is granted shall be filed and kept in the registry of the Court, in such manner as to secure at once the due preservation and convenient inspection of the same. A copy of every such will, and of the probate and administration, shall be preserved in the registry.

Custody of wills of which probate granted

No original will shall be delivered out for any purpose without the direction in writing of the Court. An exemplification of the probate or administration with the will annexed may be obtained from the Court.

Wills not given out without order of Court

ORDER XLVII

CIVIL APPEALS

I-Leave to Appeal

1. (1) Every appellant shall give security to the satisfaction of the subordinate court Conditions of appeal (hereinafter in this Order called "the court below"), either by deposit or by bond in Form 48 in the First Schedule, for payment of all such costs as may be awarded to any respondent by the Court. He shall also pay into the court below the amount of the expense of making up and transmission to the Court of the record of appeal. He shall also give notice of the appeal to all parties directly affected by the appeal, and to such others, as respondents, as the court below thinks fit to direct. If security, payment and notice are so given and made within one month after the application for conditional leave to appeal, and if application for final leave to appeal be filed in the court below not later than seven days after the expiration of such month, then and not otherwise the court below shall give final leave to appeal:

Provided that-

- the court below, in its discretion, may extend the time for the fulfilment of the conditions of appeal, or of the application for final leave to appeal;
- (ii) the court below may, in its discretion, on account of the poverty of an appellant, although such appellant may not have been formally admitted to sue or defend as a pauper, dispense with such security for costs.
- (2) Leave to appeal, if granted by the Court, under rule 4, shall be granted, *mutatis* O. 47 *mutandis*, in accordance with the provisions of sub-rule (1).

II-Limitation of Time for Appeals

2. After fourteen days from the date of any interlocutory decision, application for leave to appeal shall not be entertained.

From interlocutory orders

3. After one month from the date of a final judgment or decision, application for conditional leave to appeal shall not be entertained by the court below.

From final judgments by leave of the court below

4. After three months from the date of a final judgment or decision, application for conditional leave to appeal shall not be entertained by the Court.

From final judgments by leave of the Court

III-Execution or Suspension of Judgment Pending Appeal

5. An appeal shall not operate as a stay of execution or of proceedings under the judgment or decision appealed from, except so far as the court below or the Court may order, and no intermediate act or proceeding shall be invalidated, except so far as the court below may direct.

Appeal not to operate as stay of execution

IV-Grounds of Appeal

6. The appellant shall, within seven days after obtaining final leave to appeal, file in the court below the grounds of his appeal, and shall cause a copy of such grounds of appeal to be served on the respondent.

Grounds of appeal to be filed

7. On the appellant failing to file the grounds of appeal within the prescribed time, he shall be deemed to have abandoned the appeal, unless the court below or the Court shall see fit to extend the time.

Effect of failure to file grounds of appeal

8. The appellant may, at any time, by leave of the Court, amend or add to the grounds of his appeal.

Amendment of grounds of appeal

V-Transmission of Record

9. On the expiration of fourteen days after final leave to appeal has been given, the court below shall, without the application of any party, make up the record of appeal, which shall consist of the writ of summons, the pleadings (if any), certified copies of all documents admitted as evidence or tendered as evidence and rejected, the notes of the evidence, the judgment or order of the court below and the grounds of appeal. The record of appeal, when completed, shall be forwarded to the Registrar.

Contents of record of appeal

10. The court below shall not, except for some special cause, take upon itself the charge or the transmission of original letters or documents produced in evidence. These shall be returned to the parties producing them, and the parties must be prepared to produce the originals, if required by the Court, before or at the hearing of the appeal.

O. 47
Production of original letters or documents

VI-Proceedings in the Court

11. After the record of appeal has been transmitted, until the appeal is disposed of, the Court shall be in possession of the whole proceedings as between the parties to the appeal. Every application in the proceedings shall be made to the Court, and not to the court below, but any application may be made through the court below:

Control by Court while appeal pending

Provided that, in cases of urgency, the court below may make any interim order to prevent prejudice to the claim of any party pending an appeal, but every such order may be discharged or varied by the Court.

12. The Court may, where necessary, require security for costs or for performance of the orders to be made on appeal, in addition to what the court below has thought fit to direct, and may make any interim order or grant any injunction which the court below is authorised to make or grant, and which may be necessary.

Additional security

13. If the appeal is from an interlocutory order, the Court shall not cause notice to be given to the parties of the day when the appeal shall be disposed of, unless, in the special circumstances, it thinks fit to do so; but, where a party to the appeal notifies to the Court his desire to attend, he shall be at liberty to do so, and to be heard, at such time as the Court directs.

Notice to parties in interlocutory appeals

14. If the appeal is from a final judgment or decision, the Registrar shall give notice of the date of hearing, through the court below, to the parties to the appeal.

Notice to parties in appeals from final judgments

15. (1) If the appellant fails to appear, in person or by professional representative, when his appeal is called on for hearing, the appeal shall, on proof of service upon him of the notice of the hearing, stand dismissed with costs.

Failure of appellant to appear

(2) When an appeal has been dismissed owing to the non-appearance of the appellant or his professional representative, the Court may, if it thinks fit, and on such terms as to costs or otherwise as it may deem just, direct the appeal to be re-entered for hearing.

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16. If the respondent fails to appear, in person or by professional representative, when the appeal is called on for hearing, the Court shall, on proof of the service upon him of notice of the hearing, proceed to hear the appeal *ex parte*.

Failure of respondent to appear

17. (1) Notwithstanding anything in rules 15 and 16 contained, if any party to the appeal is desirous that the appeal should be disposed of without his attendance, either in person or by his professional representative, he shall notify the court below, and the court below shall so inform the Registrar at the time of transmitting the record; and thereupon, if the Court sees fit, it may determine the appeal in the absence of that party.

O. 47
Hearing in absence of parties

- (2) If any party so notifies the court below, it shall not be necessary for the Registrar to give him notice of the date of hearing in accordance with rule 14.
- **18.** It is not open, as of right, to any party to an appeal to adduce new evidence in support of his original case; but, for the furtherance of justice, the Court may, where it thinks fit, allow or require new evidence to be adduced. A party may, by leave of the Court, allege any facts essential to the issue that have come to his knowledge after the decision of the court below, and adduce evidence in support of such allegations.

New evidence on appeal

19. No interlocutory order from which there has been no appeal shall operate so as to bar or prejudice the Court from giving such decision upon the appeal as may seem just.

Interlocutory order not to prejudice decision on appeal

20. The Court may, from time to time, make any order necessary for determining the real question in controversy in the appeal, and may amend any defect or error in the record of appeal, and may direct the court below to inquire into and certify its finding on any question which the Court thinks fit to determine before final judgment in the appeal, and, generally, shall have as full jurisdiction over the whole proceedings as if the proceedings had been instituted and prosecuted in the Court as a court of first instance, and may rehear the whole case, or may remit it to the court below to be reheard, or to be otherwise dealt with as the Court directs.

General powers of Court

21. The Court shall have power to give any judgment and make any order that ought to have been made, and to make such further or other orders as the case may require, including any order as to costs. These powers may be exercised by the Court, notwithstanding that the appellant may have asked that part of a decision may be reversed or varied, and also be exercised in favour of all or any of the respondents or parties, although such respondents or parties may not have appealed from or complained of the decision.

Power of Court to give any decision or make any order

VII-Enforcement of Judgments, Decrees or Orders on Appeal

22. Any judgment, decree or order given or made by the Court may be enforced by the Court or by the court below, according as the Court may consider most expedient and may direct.

Execution to be as directed by the Court

23. When the Court directs any judgment, decree or order to be enforced by the court below, a certificate under seal of the Court and the hand of the presiding Judge setting forth the judgment, decree or order of the Court shall be transmitted by the Registrar to the court below, and the latter shall enforce the judgment, decree or order made by the Court in the terms of the certificate.

Execution by court below in terms of certificate

VIII-Fees Pavable

The fees prescribed in Part 2 of the Second Schedule shall be charged in respect of the matters to which they are respectively assigned, and shall be paid to the Registrar or the court below, as the case may be. The Court or the court below may, on account of the poverty of any party, although such party may not have been formally admitted to sue or defend as a pauper, or for other sufficient reasons, dispense, if it sees fit, with payment of any fees.

Fees

IX-Ex Parte Orders

below, from an order made ex parte. Any person aggrieved by such an order may apply, by motion on notice to the other party, to the court by which it was made to vary or discharge it, and an appeal lies from the decision on that application in like manner as from other orders or decisions.

ORDER XLVIII

PROCEEDINGS IN DISTRICT REGISTRIES

1. In any action the plaintiff wherever resident may issue a writ out of any District Registry.

Writs or other process may be issued out of any District Registry

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

Causes or matters commenced in a District Registry shall be instituted as causes or matters in that Registry and shall be serially numbered in that Registry.

Title of causes or matters commenced in a District Registry.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

(1) Where a cause or matter is proceeding in a District Registry, all proceedings, except where by the Act or by these Rules it is otherwise provided, or the Court or a Judge shall otherwise order, shall be recorded in the District Registry including the entry of final judgment.

Proceedings to be in a District Registry

(2) Every final judgment and every order for an account, by reason of the default of O. 48 the defendant, or by consent, shall be entered in the District Registory in the proper book, in the same manner as a like judgment or order in an action proceeding in Lusaka would be entered in the Principal Registry.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

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Where the writ of summons issues out of a District Registry and the plaintiff is entitled to enter interlocutory judgment under any of the rules of Order XII, or where the cause or matter is proceeding in the District Registry and the plaintiff is entitled to enter interlocutory judgment under any of the rules of Order XX, the interlocutory judgment, and, when damages shall have been assessed, final judgment, shall be entered in the District Registry, unless the Court or a judge shall otherwise order.

Entry of interlocutory judgment in a District Registry

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

Where a cause or matter is proceeding in a District Registry, all writs of execution for enforcing any judgment or order therein, and all summonses under the Debtors Act, shall issue from the District Registry, and all costs shall be taxed in the District Registry, unless the Court or a judge shall otherwise direct.

Writs of execution. Cap. 77

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

Where a cause or matter is proceeding in a District Registry, proceedings relating to the following matters:

Proceedings necessary or incidental to judgment

- leave to issue or renew writs of execution; (a)
- (b) examination of judgment debtors for garnishee purposes or under Order XLII, rule 16:
- (c) garnishee orders;
- (a) charging orders nisi; and
- (e) interpleader orders;

shall, unless the Court or a Judge shall otherwise order, be taken in the District Registry.

Every application to a District Registrar shall be made in the same manner in Mode of application which applications in chambers are directed to be made by these Rules.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

8. If any matter appears to the District Registrar proper for a decision of a Judge. the District Registrar may refer the same to a Judge, and the judge may either dispose of the matter or refer the same back to the District Registrar with such directions as he may think fit.

Reference to judge

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

9. An appeal shall lie from the decision, order or direction of a District Registrar in any cause or matter as provided for under rule 10 of Order XXX in the same circumstance and except as hereinafter provided, subject to the same incidents as if the decision, order or direction was made or given by the Registrar in that cause or matter, and the provisions of these Rules with respect to appeals and, in particular, rule 10 of Order XXX shall apply accordingly.

Appeal from a District Registrar 0.48, 49

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

Every District Registrar and other officer of a District Registry shall be subject Control by court or to the orders and directions of the Court or a Judge, as fully as any other officer of the Court, and every proceeding in a District Registry shall be subject to the control of the Court or a Judge, as fully as a like proceeding in the Principal Registry.

judge

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

Where under the provisions of the Act, a cause or matter is removed from a District Registry to the Principal Registry or to another District Registry, the party on whose application the order for removal was made shall give to the other party notice of an address for service and a postal address for service, both within twelve kilometres from the Principal or District Registry, as the case may be, to which the cause or matter is removed in all respects as if the writ of summons or other originating process or the appearance had been originally issued or entered in the Principal Registry or in such District Registry, as the case may be.

Address for service in case of removal

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

12. Where a cause or matter is proceeding in a District Registry, all pleadings and other documents required to be filed shall be filed in the District.

Filing in District Registry

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

No affidavit or record of the Court shall be taken out of a District Registry without the order of a Judge or of the District Registrar, and no subpoena for the production of any such document shall be issued.

Affidavit, etc., not to be taken out of District Registry

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

14. The forms contained in the First Schedule shall, as far as they are applicable. be used in or for the purpose of the District Registries, with such variations as circumstances require.

Forms to be used

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

ORDER XLIX

(No. 309 of 1960)

SITTINGS AND VACATIONS

1. The sittings of the Court in Lusaka, Ndola, Kitwe, Kabwe, Mongu, Livingstone, Chipata and Kasama shall be four in every year, that is to say, the Hilary sittings, the Easter sittings, the Trinity sittings, and the Michealmas sittings. The Hilary sittings shall commence on 10th January and terminate on Thursday before Easter; the Easter sittings shall commence on Monday Easter week, and terminate on the Friday before Whit-Sunday; Trinity sittings commence on Tuesday after Whitsun week and terminate on the 22nd August; and the Michaelmas sittings shall commence on the 1st October and terminate on the 10th December.

Sittings of the Court O. 49

(As amended by S.I. No. 92 of 1988)

The sittings of the several offices of the Court at the Principal and District Sittings of Court Registries shall extend over the whole of the four periods between vacations.

offices

3. (1) The vacations to be observed in the several courts and offices of the High Court shall be four in every year, that is to say, the Easter Vacation, the Whitsun vacation, the Michaelmas vacation and the Christmas vacation. The Easter vacation shall commence on Good Friday and terminate on Easter Tuesday; the Whitsun vacation shall commence on the Saturday before Whit Monday and shall terminate on the Tuesday after Whit Sunday; the Michaelmas Vacation shall commence on the 8th August and shall terminate on the 6th September; and the Christmas Vacation shall commence on 11th December and terminate on the 9th January.

Vacation in courts and offices. Trial in Michaelmas and Christmas vacations

- (2) (a) All such applications as required to be immediately or promptly heard shall be heard in vacation by a Vacation Judge.
 - (b) Any party to a cause or matter may at any time before the end of the said vacation in any year apply by summons to a judge for any order that the cause or matter shall be tried or heard during that vacation, and if the Judge is satisfied that there is urgent need for the trial or hearing to take place in the said vacation he may make an order accordingly and fix a date for the trial or hearing.

(As amended by S.I. No. 92 of 1988)

(3) Any party may at any time after the 17th August in any year and before the close of the Michaelmas vacation in that year apply by summons to a Vacation Judge for the said Michaelmas vacation, or in the absence of such a Judge to a Judge in chambers, for the trial or hearing of any such cause or matter during the said Michaelmas vacation, and such Judge may make an order for the trial or hearing of such cause or matter during the Michaelmas vacation accordingly and fix the date of trial; and any party may at any time after the 5th December in any year and before the close of the Christmas vacation commencing in that year apply by summons to a Vacation Judge for the said Christmas vacation, or, in the absence of such a Judge, to a Judge in chambers, for the trial or hearing of any such cause or matter during the said Christmas vacation, and such Judge may make an order for the trial or hearing of such cause or matter during the Christmas vacation accordingly and fix the date of trial:

Provided that no order for such trial or hearing shall be made unless the Judge is satisfied that there is urgent need for the trial or hearing of the cause or matter during the Michaelmas or Christmas vacation, as the case may be.

- (4) The Court or a Judge dealing with an application under Order XIII, rule 3, may, if satisfied that there is urgent need for the trial of the action during the next ensuing Michaelmas or Christmas vacation, as appropriate, order that the trial shall take place in the said Michaelmas or Christmas vacation and shall refer the matter to the Vacation Judge in chambers, or, in the absence of such a Judge, to a Judge in chambers, to fix the date of trial.
 - (5) Revoked by S.I. No. 92 of 1988

(As amended by S.I. No. 63 of 1964; and S.I No. 92 of 1988)

4. The days of the commencement and termination of each sitting and vacation shall be included in such sitting and vacation respectively.

First and last days inclusive

5. The several offices of the Court in the Principal and District Registries shall be open on every day of the year except on Saturdays, Sundays, public holidays and such other days as the Chief Justice may direct in respect of all the offices of the Court or any particular office.

Days on which offices are to be closed

(As amended by S.I. No. 37 of 1964)

6. Subject to any order of the Chief Justice, the offices of the Court in the Principal and District Registries shall be open to the public on weekdays, other than Saturdays, as follows:

Office hours

- (a) during term from 9 a.m. until 12 noon, and from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.; and
- (b) during vacation from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

(S.I. No. 37 of 1964)

7. The Chief Justice may, from time to time, appoint a Vacation Judge or Vacation Judges for the hearing in Lusaka Ndola, Livingstone, Kitwe, Kabwe, Mongu and Kasama during vacation, of all such applications as may require to be immediately or promptly heard. In default of any appointment of a Vacation Judge for Lusaka or Ndola, as the case may be, the Puisne Judge present thereat who was last appointed a Judge of the Court shall be Vacation Judge.

Appointment of Vacation Judges

8. A Vacation Judge may hear and dispose of all causes, matters and other business ordered to be tried or heard during vacation and all causes, matters and other business specified in rule 3 (4). Any other Judge may sit in vacation for any Vacation Judge or where no Vacation Judge has been appointed for Lusaka and other places as the case may be.

Sittings of Vacation Judges

9. In the interval between the close of any sittings and the commencement of the next sittings, and whenever a Judge is away from his chambers for any reason, the judgments or orders of any Judge may be prosecuted at the chambers of any other Judge by his permission; and in case the prosecution thereof shall not be completed during the interval, the prosecution may be continued at the chambers of the same Judge if and so far as he shall think fit.

O. 49, 50 Prosecution of judgments or orders between sittings

10. Any interval between the sittings of the Court not included in a vacation, shall, so far as the disposal of business by the Vacation Judges is concerned, be deemed to be a portion of the vacation.

Interval between sittings and vacations

ORDER L

RECOVERY OF COSTS BY LEGAL PRACTITIONERS

1. In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires-

Interpretation

"fees" include charges and disbursements;

"practitioner" included barrister, Advocate and Notary Public, and the executor, administrator and assignee of a barrister, Advocate or Notary Public.

2. No practitioner shall commence any suit for the recovery of any fees for any business done by him until the expiration of one month after he shall have delivered to the party to be charged therewith or sent by registered letter to or left for him at his office, place of business, dwelling-house or last known place of abode a bill of such fees, such bill either being signed by such practitioner (or, in the case of a partnership, by any of the partners, either in his own name or in the name of the partnership) or being enclosed in or accompanied by a letter signed in like manner referring to such bill.

Bill to be sent before

3. Upon the party to be charged applying to the Court or a Judge, within such month as in the last preceding rule mentioned, it shall be lawful for the Court or a Judge to refer the bill and the demand of the practitioner to be taxed and settled by the taxing master of the Court, and the Court or a Judge shall restrain such practitioner from commencing any suit touching such demand pending such reference.

Party charged may apply to Court or Judge to tax bill

4. In case no application shall be made within one month, as in the last preceding rule provided, it shall be lawful for such reference as aforesaid to be made, either upon the application of the practitioner making the demand, or upon the application of the party to be charged, with such directions and subject to such conditions as the Court or Judge making the reference shall think proper, and the Court or a Judge may restrain such practitioner from commencing or prosecuting any suit touching such demand pending such reference, upon such terms as shall be thought proper.

Where no application to tax made within one month

5. No such reference as aforesaid shall be directed, upon application made by the party to be charged, after judgment shall have been obtained in any suit for the recovery of the demand of such practitioner as aforesaid, or after the expiration of twelve months after any bill as aforesaid shall have been delivered, sent or left as aforesaid, except under special circumstances to be proved to the satisfaction of the Court or a Judge to which or to whom application for such reference shall be made.

O. 50 When application not to be granted

6. Upon any reference as aforesaid, if either the practitioner or the party to be charged, having due notice, shall refuse or neglect to attend the taxation, the taxing master may proceed to tax and settle the bill and demand *ex parte*.

Non-attendance of party at taxation

7. If, on any reference as aforesaid, the party to be charged shall attend on taxation, the cost of the reference shall (except as in rule 8 provided) be paid according to the event of such taxation: that is to say, if such bill, when taxed, be less by a sixth part than the bill delivered, sent or left, then such practitioner shall pay such costs, and if such bill, when taxed, shall not be less by a sixth part than the bill delivered, sent or left, then the party to be charged making such application or so attending shall pay such costs.

Costs of taxation

8. Every order to be made for any reference as aforesaid shall direct the taxing master to certify what shall be found to be due to or from such practitioner in respect of the bill and demand referred, including the costs of the reference.

Form of order to be made. Special cases

Provided that-

- the taxing master may certify specially any circumstances relating to such bill or reference, and the Court or a Judge may make any such order as it or he may think right respecting the costs of such reference;
- (ii) where any reference is made under rule 5, the Court or a Judge may, if it or he thinks fit, give any special directions relative to the cost of such reference.
- **9.** It shall not in any case be necessary in the first instance for any practitioner, in proving a compliance with these Rules, to prove the contents of the bill he may have delivered, sent or left, but it shall be sufficient to prove that a bill for fees signed in the manner provided or enclosed in or accompanied by such letter as provided was duly delivered, sent or left.

Proof of compliance with rules

10. Upon the completion of the taxation of any bill referred as aforesaid, the taxing master shall submit to the Court or a Judge the result of his taxation, including costs, and the amount so submitted shall be final and conclusive as to the amount of the bill and costs:

Completion of taxation

Provided that the Court or a Judge may, in its or his discretion, review any such taxation. And it shall be lawful for the Court or a Judge to order that judgment be entered for the amount submitted, unless the retainer is disputed, or to make such other order therein as the Court or a Judge may deem proper.

O. 50, 51

11. It shall be lawful for the Court or a Judge to make an order for the delivery by any practitioner of any bill of fees for business done by him.

Court or Judge may order delivery of bill

12. It shall be lawful for the Court or a Judge to authorise any practitioner to commence a suit for the recovery of his fees against the party chargeable therewith, and also to refer his bill of fees and the demand of the practitioner thereupon to be taxed and settled by the taxing master of the Court, although one month shall not have expired from the delivery of such bill, on proof, to the satisfaction of the Court or a Judge, that there is probable cause for believing that the party chargeable is about to leave Zambia or to become a bankrupt or to take any other steps or to do any other act which, in the opinion of the Court or a Judge, would tend to defeat or delay such practitioner in obtaining judgment.

Where practitioner may begin suit within month of delivery of

13. All applications made under these Rules to refer any bill to be taxed and settled shall be by summons in the matter of the practitioner concerned.

Applications to be by motion

(As amended by No. 218 of 1944)

ORDER LI

(No. 218 of 1944)

AGENCY ALLOWANCE

- 1. Where a advocate or barrister (hereinafter called a country advocate) is either-
- When agency allowance to be paid
- engaged in a cause or matter proceeding in the Registry of the Court and (a) has no place of business within ten kilo-metres from such Registry; or
- (b) engaged in a cause or matter proceeding in a District Registry of the Court and has no place of business within ten kilometres from such District Registry; or
- (c) engaged in a cause or matter proceeding in the Registry of the Supreme Court of Zambia and has no place of business within ten kilometres of such Registry;

and entrusts such cause or matter to another advocate or barrister (hereinafter called an 0.51,52 agent) who has a place of business within the said ten kilometres limit from such Registry, District Registry or Registry of the Supreme Court of Zambia, as the case may be, the agent shall pay or credit to the country advocate such sums by way of agency allowance as are hereinafter mentioned and prescribed.

2. The agent shall pay or credit to the country advocate in respect of the profit cost charges of the agent for work entrusted to him as an agent by such country advocate one-third of all such profit cost charges except such parts of the same charges as have been earned by appearance as an advocate in Court or in chambers.

Amount of agency allowance

No agency allowance shall arise or accrue in respect of conveyancing or subordinate court work or any other business which is not proceeding either in the High Court or the Supreme Court.

No allowance except in High Court and SupremeCourt of Zambia

4. No advocate or barrister shall under any circumstances give agency allowance to or accept agency allowance from any person who is not admitted to practise in Zambia as a barrister or advocate and who has no *bona fide* office or place of business therein.

No allowance except to practitioners admitted to practise in Zambia

ORDER LII

(No. 396 of 1967)

PROCEEDINGS BY AND AGAINST THE STATE

1. (1) These Rules apply to civil proceedings to which the State Proceedings Act applies and to which the State is a party, subject to the following rules of this Order and without prejudice to any rules made under the Constitution.

Application and interpretation. Cap. 71 Cap. 1

- (2) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires-
 - "order against the State" means any order (including an order for costs) made in any civil proceedings by or against the State, or in connection with any arbitration to which the State is a party, in favour of any person against the State or against a public officer as such;

"order" includes a judgment, decree, rule, award or declaration.

2. (1) In the case of a writ which begins civil proceedings against the State, the endorsement of claim required by Order VI, rule 4, shall include a statement of the circumstances in which the State's liability is alleged to have arisen and as to the officers concerned.

Particulars to be included in the endorsement of claim

- (2) If in civil proceedings against the State the Attorney-General considers that the writ does not contain a sufficient statement as required by this rule, he may, before the expiration of the time limited for appearing, apply to the plaintiff by notice for a further and better statement containing such information as may be specified in the notice.
- (3) Where the Attorney-General has given a notice under this rule, the time limited for appearing shall not expire until four days after the Attorney-General has notified the plaintiff in writing that he is satisfied with the statement supplied in compliance with the notice or four days after the Court has, on the application of the plaintiff by summons served not less than seven days before the return day, decided that no further information as to the matters referred to in sub-rule (1) is reasonably required.
- **3.** (1) Order X shall not apply in relation to the service of any process by which civil Service on the State proceedings against the State are begun.
- (2) Personal service of any document required to be served on the State for the purpose of or in connection with any civil proceedings is not requisite; but where the proceedings are by or against the State, service shall be effected in accordance with the provisions of section *thirteen* of the State Proceedings Act-

- (a) by leaving the document at the office of the officer of the Attorney-General's Chambers having the conduct of the proceedings or, if a legal practitioner is acting for the State in the proceedings, at the office of such legal practitioner; or
- (b) by posting it in a prepaid registered envelope addressed to such officer or such legal practitioner at his postal address, provided that the time at which the document so posted would be delivered in the ordinary course of post shall be considered as the time of service thereof; or
- (c) if no such officer has the conduct of the proceedings or if no such legal practitioner is acting, by leaving the document at the Attorney-General's Chambers in Lusaka or Ndola.
- **4.** (1) Notwithstanding Order XXVIII, rule 3, a person may not in any proceedings by the State make any counter-claim or plead a set-off if the proceedings are for the recovery of, or the counter-claim or set-off arises out of a right or claim to repayment in respect of, any taxes, duties or penalties.

Counter-claim and set-off

- (2) Notwithstanding Order XXVIII, rule 3, no counter-claim may be made, or set-off pleaded, without the leave of the Court, by the State in proceedings against the State, or by any person in proceedings by the State.
 - (3) Any application for leave under this rule shall be by summons.
- **5.** No application against the State shall be made for summary judgment either Summary under Order XIII, rule 1, or otherwise:

Summary judgment

Provided that a plaintiff may apply by summons for an order that the proceedings be put into a list kept for the trial of short causes.

6. (1) A third party notice for service on the State shall not be issued without the leave of the Court, and the application for the grant of such leave shall be made by summons, and the summons shall be served on the plaintiff and on the Attorney-General.

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(2) Leave to issue such a notice shall not be granted unless the Court is satisfied that the Attorney-General is in possession of all such information as he reasonably requires as to the circumstances in which it is alleged that the liability of the State has arisen and as to the officers concerned.

7. (1) In any civil proceedings to which the State is a party any order of the Court made under the powers conferred by section *twenty-five* of the State Proceedings Act shall be construed as not requiring the disclosure of the existence of any document the existence of which it would, in the opinion of a Minister, be injurious to the public interest to disclose.

Discovery and interrogatories. Cap. 71

- (2) Where in any such proceedings an order of the Court directs that a list of documents made in answer to an order for discovery against the State shall be verified by affidavit, the affidavit shall be made by such officer as the Court may direct.
- (3) Where in any such proceedings an order is made under the said section *twenty-five* for interrogatories to be answered by the State, the Court shall direct by what officer the interrogatories are to be answered.
- **8.** (1) Actions against the State to perpetuate the testimony of witnesses may be instituted in any case in which the State is alleged to have an interest or estate in the honour, title, dignity or office or property in question.

Evidence

- (2) For the avoidance of doubt, it is hereby declared that any powers exercisable by the Court in regard to the taking of evidence are excercisable in proceedings by or against the State as they are exercisable in proceedings between private persons.
- **9.** An application under the proviso to subsection (1) of section *twenty-one* of the State Proceedings Act for a direction that a separate certificate shall be issued under that subsection with respect to the costs (if any) ordered to be paid to the applicant, may be made to the Court *ex parte* without summons.

Execution and satisfaction of orders. Cap. 71

10. Every application to the Court for an order under section *twenty-four* of the State Proceedings Act restraining any person from receiving money payable to him by the State and directing payment of the money to the applicant or some other person must be made by summons served at least four days before the return day on the Attorney-General and, unless the Court otherwise orders, on the person to be restrained or his legal practitioner; and the application shall be supported by an affidavit setting out the facts giving rise to it and, in particular, identifying the particular debt from the State in respect of which it is made.

Attachment of debts, etc.
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Cap. 71

11. An application such as is referred to in section *twenty-six* (2) of the State Proceedings Act may be made to the Court at any time before trial by motion or summons, or may be made at the trial of the proceedings.

Applications under section 26 (2) of the State Proceedings Act. Cap. 71

FIRST SCHEDULE

Sch. 1

(O. 1, r. 2)

(No. 252 of 1968)

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GENERAL TITLE OF WRITS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS IN A SUIT

	Republic of Zambia	
IN THE HIGH COURT FOR ZAMBIA	(a)	
(AT THE	DISTRICT REGISTRY) (b)	
Between		19 H No (<i>c</i>)
		Plaintiff
	and	Defendant
	or	Determent

In the matter of: (a)

NOTES: (a) Here insert description of document.

- (b) Delete if inapplicable.
- (c) Here put in the year, letters and number. In an action commenced in the Principal Registry at Lusaka the letters shall be HP. In actions commenced in the Ndola, Livingstone or Kitwe District Registry respectively the letters shall be HN, HL or HK respectively.
- (a) If the action is for administration the writ must be headed In the matter of the Estate of A.B., deceased'.

If it is a debenture holder's action the writ must be headed In the matter of the company', and in a Probate action (not District Registry) In the Estate of A.B., deceased'. A Writ of Summons claiming administration of a trust or settlement may be entitled 'In the matter of the (trust or settlement)'.

WRIT OF SUMMONS

(For issue from the Principal Registry) (General Title)

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Chief Justice of Zambia

Dated the day of in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and

MEMORANDUM TO BE SUBSCRIBED ON THE WRIT

Notes:

- (1) This writ is to be served within twelve calendar months from the date thereof, or, if renewed, within six calendar months from the date of the last renewal, including the day of such date, and not afterwards.
- (2) The defendant (*or* defendants) may appear hereto by entering an appearance (*or* appearances) either personally or by Advocate at the Principal Registry, High Court for Zambia, Lusaka.
- (3) A defendant appearing personally may, if he desire, enter his appearance by post and the appropriate forms may be obtained from any High Court Registry or from any Subordinate Court office. The forms, when completed, should be sent in triplicate by registered letter addressed to The Registrar, P.O. Box 50067, Lusaka', so as to reach him within the time stated above.

ENDORSEMENTS TO BE MADE ON THE WRIT BEFORE ISSUE THEREOF

The plaintiff's claim is for

This writ was issued by

of*(4) whose address for service is at and whose postal address for service is at of whose address for service is at and whose postal address for service is at an address for service is at a address

said plaintiff who resides at †(5)

ENDORSEMENTS TO BE MADE WITHIN THREE DAYS AFTER SERVICE

This writ was served by me at

on the defendant on the day

of , 19 .

(Signed) (Address)

(As amended by SI. No 105 of 1986 and S.I. No. 174 of 1990)

^{*} Here insert both actual and postal addresses.

[†] Mention the city or town and also the name of the street and number of the house of the plaintiff's residence, if any.

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The Laws of Zambia WRIT OF SUMMONS

(For issue from a District Registry) (General Title)

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MEMORANDUM TO BE SUBSCRIBED ON THE WRIT

- Notes: (1) This writ is to be served within twelve calendar months from the date thereof, or, if renewed, within six calendar months from the date of the last renewal, including the day of such date, and not afterwards.
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 - (3) A defendant appearing personally may, if he desire, enter his appearance by post and the appropriate forms may be obtained from any High Court Registry or from any Subordinate Court office. The forms, when completed, should then be sent in triplicate by registered letter addressed to the District Registrar, so as to reach him within the time stated above.

ENDORSEMENTS TO BE MADE ON THE WRIT BEFORE ISSUE THEREOF

The plaintiff's claim is for

This writ was issued by of*(6) whose address for service is at and whose postal address for service is at agent for of , Advocate for the said plaintiff who resides at †(7)

ENDORSEMENT TO BE MADE WITHIN THREE DAYS AFTER SERVICE

This writ was served by me at on the defendant on the day of , 19

Endorsed the (Signed) (Address)

^{*} Here insert both actual and postal addresses.

[†] Mention the city or town and also the name of the street and number of the house of the plaintiff's residence, if any.

The Laws of Zambia SPECIALLY ENDORSED WRIT

(For issue from the Principal Registry) (General Title)

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You are commanded in the President's name that within

after the service of this writ on you, inclusive of the day of such service, you do cause an appearance to be entered for you in an action at the suit of:

take notice that in default of your so doing the plaintiff may proceed therein, and judgment may be given in your absence.

Witness The Honourable

Chief Justice of Zambia

Dated the day of

in the year

of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and

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SPECIAL ENDORSEMENT Statement of Claim

The plaintiff's claim is

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And the sum of K

and for each kilometre (if any) (or such sum as may be allowed on taxation) for costs, and also, in case the plaintiff obtains an order for substituted service,

the further sum of K

(or such sum as may be allowed on taxation).

If the amount claimed be paid to the plaintiff or his Advocate or agent within the time allowed above for entering an appearance to this writ, further proceedings will be stayed.

Provided that if it appears from the endorsement of the writ that the plaintiff is resident outside the Republic or is acting by order or on behalf of a person so resident, proceedings will only be stayed if the amount claimed is paid into Court within the said time and notice of such payment is given to the plaintiff, his Advocate or agent.

This writ was issued by

of*(8)

whose address for service

is at

and whose postal address

for service is at

agent for

, Advocate for the

said plaintiff who resides at †(9)

ENDORSEMENT TO BE MADE WITHIN THREE DAYS AFTER SERVICE

This writ was served by me at

on the defendant on the day

, 19

Endorsed the day of , 19

(Signed)

(Address)

† Mention the city or town and also the name of the street and number of the house of the plaintiff's residence, if any. (As amended by S.I No. 105 of 1986 and S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

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(For issue from a District Registry) (General Title)

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(2) The defendant (or defendants) may appear hereto by entering an appearance (or appearances) either personally or by Advocate at the above-mentioned District Registry of the High Court for Zambia, Lusaka.

(3) A defendant appearing personally may, if he desire, enter his appearance by post and the appropriate forms may be obtained from any High Court Registry or from any Subordinate Court office. The forms, when completed, should then be sent in triplicate by registered letter addressed to the District Registrar, P.O. Box so as to reach him within the time stated above.

SPECIAL ENDORSEMENT Statement of Claim

The plaintiff's claim is

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This writ was issued by of*(10) whose address for service is at and whose postal address for service is a agent for of , Advocate for the said plaintiff who resides at†(11)

ENDORSEMENT TO BE MADE WITHIN THREE DAYS AFTER SERVICE

This writ was served by me at on the defendant on the defendant on the day of , 19

Endorsed the day of 19 .

(Signed)

(Address)

^{*} Here insert both actual and postal addresses.

[†] Mention the city or town and also the name of the street and number of the house of the plaintiff's residence, if any.

ORIGINATING SUMMONS

(For issue from the Principal Registry) (General Title)

Let	,		
of		within	days
after service of this summons on him, inclusive of the day	of such service, cause an	appearance to be entere	d for him to
this summons, which is issued on the application of	of	who claim	s to be*(12)
for the determination of the following questions:†(13)			
Dated the This summons was taken out by of ‡(14)	day of		19 .
whose address for service is at			and whose
postal address for service is at		, Advocate	for the
plaintiff who resides at			

The defendant may appear hereto by entering appearance either personally or by Advocate at the Principal Registry, High Court for Zambia, Lusaka.

- NOTES: (1) If the defendant does not enter appearance within the time and at the place above mentioned such order will be made and proceedings may be taken as the Judge may think just and expedient.
 - (2) A person appearing personally may, if he desire, enter his appearance by post and the appropriate forms may be obtained from any High Court Registry or from any Subordinate Court office. The forms, when completed, should be sent in triplicate by registered letter addressed to The Registrar, P.O. Box 50067, Lusaka, so as to reach him within the time stated above.
- * State the nature of the claim.
- † State the questions.
- ‡ Here insert both actual and postal addresses.

(As amended by S.I. No. 105 of 1986)

ORIGINATING SUMMONS

(For issue from a District Registry) (General Title)

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plaintiff	who resides a	at		

The defendant may appear hereto by entering appearance either personally or by Advocate at the above-mentioned District Registry of the High Court for Zambia.

- NOTES: (1) If the defendant does not enter appearance within the time and at the place above mentioned, such order will be made and roceedings may be taken as the Judge may think just and expedient.
 - (2) A person appearing personally may, if he desire, enter his appearance by post and the appropriate forms may be obtained from any High Court Registry or from any Subordinate Court office. The forms, when completed, should then be sent in triplicate by registered letter addressed to the District Registrar, P.O. Box so as to reach him within the time stated above.
- * State the nature of the claim.
- † State the questions.
- ‡ Here insert both actual and postal addresses.

ORIGINATING SUMMONS NOT INTER PARTES

(For issue from the Principal Registry)

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR ZAMBIA		19 HP No
In the matter of In the matter of*(18)		10
LET of of the service of this summons on him, this summons, which is issued upon the		within days use an appearance to be entered for him to
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for an order that†(19)		
Dated the	day of 19 .	
This summons was taken out by of‡(20) whose address for service is at postal address for service is at above named.		and whose , Advocate for the

The respondent may appear hereto by entering appearance either personally or by Advocate at the Principal Registry, High Court for Zambia, Lusaka.

- NOTES: (1) If the respondent does not enter appearance within the time and at the place above mentioned, such order will be made and proceedings taken as the Judge may think just and expedient.
 - (2) A person appearing personally may, if he desire, enter his appearance by post and the appropriate forms may be obtained from any High Court Registry or from any Subordinate Court office. The forms, when completed, should be sent in triplicate by registered letter addressed to "The Registrar, P.O. Box 50067 Lusaka", so as to reach him within the time stated above.
- * Specify statute or as the case may be.
- † State the object of the application.
- ‡ Here insert both actual and postal addresses.

(As amended by S.I. No. 105 of 1986)

ORIGINATING SUMMONS NOT INTER PARTES

(For issue from a District Registry)

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR ZAMBIA AT THE	DISTRICT REGISTRY	19 H No
In the matter of In the matter of*(21)		10
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for an order that†(22) Dated the	day of	19
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The respondent may appear hereto by entering appearance either personally or by Advocate at the above-mentioned District Registry of the High Court for Zambia.

- NOTES: (1 If the respondent does not enter appearance within the time and at the place above mentioned, such order will be made and proceedings taken as the Judge may think just and expedient.
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- * Specify statute or as the case may be.
- †State the object of the application.
- ‡ Here insert both actual and postal addresses.

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA

ORIGINATING SUMMONS UNDER ORDER VI, RULES 2 AND 6

IN THE HIGH (AT THE	COURT FOR ZAMBIA	A	DISTRICT REGISTRY*(24)) 19 H No
In the matter	of†(25)		
LET			
of			
attend before			in Chambers at the High Court,
	on the		day of 19,
at	o'clock in the for‡(26)		noon, on the hearing of an application on the part of
Dated the	day	of 19 .	
This summ of**(27)	ons was taken out by		whose address for service
is at			and whose postal address for service is at
	, Advocate f	or the above named.	
Advoc	•	lace above mentioned, such	e, but if you do not attend either in person, or by your order will be made and proceedings taken as the Judge
*Delete if inag	,		
† As the case	,		
‡ State relief	sought.		
** Here insert	both actual and posta	l addresses.	

REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA ORIGINATING NOTICE OF MOTION

IN THE HIGH COURT	FOR ZAMBIA			
(AT THE		DISTRICT F	REGISTRY*(28))	No
In the matter of			19 H	INO
In the matter of†(29)		and		
BETWEEN				Applicant
		and		Respondent
	the High Court for Zambia	will be moved at		
on the 19 at counsel can be heard and that the costs of the	day of o'clock in the , by the above-named appli his application be	cant for an order that	noon, or so soon	thereafter as
Dated at	the day		of (<i>Advocate for t</i>	19 . the Applicant)
This notice of motion	n is filed by the applicant w	ho resides at		
(Or This notice of mot whose address for set who resides at	•	of	, Advocate for the	he applicant,
To				
Advocate, at t	, ,		do not attend either in perso will be made and proceedings	
Delete if inapplicable. † Specify statute, if ar	ny.			

PRAECIPE OF RENEWED WRIT OF SUMMONS

(General Title)

SEAL in pursuance of order dated the

19 a renewed writ of summons in this action,
endorsed as follows:*(30)

Dated the
(Signed)
(Address)

(Advocate for the Plaintiff)

^{*} Copy original writ and the endorsements.

NOTICE OF SERVICE ON MANAGER OF PARTNERSHIP

(General Title)

TAKE NOTICE that the writ served herewith is served on you as the person having control or management of the partnership business of the above-named defendant firm of

(and also as a partner in the said firm *(31)).

Under-Sheriff/Bailiff †(32)

If the person served with the writ is served in the two capacities of manager and partner, the clause should be left standing. If he is served as manager only it should be struck out.

†Delete if inapplicable.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

(General Title)

		(00	noral rillo)			
I, (a)						
of do hereby 1. That the District Court.				dul within the jurisdiction of t	y appointed for his Honourable	
[2. (c) (t) 19, at (d)	That I did on the	day o	of			
(e)	(i) personally serve	, the ab	ove-named defenda	ant,		
((ii) personally serve, the p	proprietor of the abo	ove-named defendar	nt		
((iii) personally serve defendant firm of	, a p	artner of the above-r	named		
(this Honourable Court	, personally serve e person having at	the time of such se	efendant partnership within the	•	
	copy of the writ of summon	s in this action whi	ch appeared to me t	to have been regularly issued	out of the High	
District Re	0 1 (// 0	,	,	e suit of the above-named plai plaintiffs) and which was date		
			or			
of 19 me to have defendant day of 19		of the High Court the design of the High Court the design of the design of the High Court the Hi	for Zambia (at the D tiffs) and which was	of summons in this action, who is strict Registry (1) against the dated the		
	at the time of the said service at the time of the said service.		e copy thereof were	subscribed and endorsed in t	he manner and	
4. That the said se	I did on the day of ervice.	19	, endorse on the s	aid writ the day of the month a	and the week of	
	summons was served upon			erved as aforesaid a notice in anagement of the partnership		
Dated th	ne	C	day of	l to	19 .	
by:	cate was filed			Und	ler-Sheriff/Bailiff	
	s) for the					
NOT	ES: All erasures, interlineat	tions or alterations re, interlineation or		nmediately		
(a)	Full name and address of	·				
(b)	Title, e.g. Under-Sheriff or	Bailiff.				
(c)	Use alternative para. 2 for	service on limited of	company.			
(a)	Place of service-full address	ss should be given.				
(e)	(e) Delete whichever inapplicable. These are the examples most commonly met.					

(1)

(g)

Delete if inapplicable.

Address of registered office.

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AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

(General Title)

I, (a)
of
hereby make oath and say as follows:

1. That I am (b)

[2. (c) (f). That I did on the day of

19 , at (a)

- (e) (i) personally serve , the above-named defendant,
 - (ii) personally serve, the proprietor of the abovenamed defendant firm of,
 - (iii) personally serve, a partner of the above-named defendant firm of ,
 - (iv) being the principal place of business of the above-named defendant partnership within the jurisdiction of this Honourable Court, personally serve

, the person having at the time of such service the control or management of the said partnership business there (see paragraph 5 below),

or (v)

with a true copy of the writ of summons in this action which appeared to me to have been regularly issued out of the High Court for Zambia (at the

District Registry (f)) against the above-named defendant (or defendants) at the suit of the above-named plaintiff (or plaintiffs) and which was dated the

day of 19 .]

- [2. (1) That I did on the day of
- 19 , serve the above-named defendant with a true copy of the writ of summons in this action, which appeared to me to have been regularly issued out of the High Court for Zambia (at the District Registry (1)) against the above-named defendant at the suit of the above-named plaintiff (or plaintiffs) and which was dated the

day of 19 , (by leaving the same at (g) ,) or (by sending the same by post on the day of 19 , in a prepaid letter or envelope addressed to the company at (i) (g),) which is the registered office of the defendant company.]

- 3. That at the time of the said service the writ and the copy thereof were subscribed and endorsed in the manner and form prescribed by the Rules of the said Court.
- 4. That I did on the day of the month and the week of the said service.
- [5. (1) That I did at the time of the said service deliver to the person so served as aforesaid a notice in writing that the said writ of summons was served upon him as the person having control or management of the partnership business of the said defendant firm.]

SWORN by the said at on the day of 19 .

BEFORE ME

Commissioner for Oaths

NOTES: All erasures, interlineations or alterations should be initialed by the Commissioner immediately opposite the erasure, interlineation or alteration.

- (a) Full name and address of deponent.
- (b) Profession or occupation and nationality, e.g. Clerk in the employ of x.y. Advocate and Barrister.
- (c) Use alternative para. 2 for service on limited company.
- (a) Place of service-full address should be given.
- (e) Delete whichever inapplicable. These are the examples most commonly met.
- (t) Delete if inapplicable.
- (g) Address of registered office.

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Civil Course	No
Civii Cause	NO

REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA DEBIT AND ADVICE NOTE

(For use by the Sheriff and his Officers)

and

In the Court

In the matter between

Plaintiff

Defendant

	*(33)SERVICE ONLY		· *	(2.4)EV	FOUTION (DNII V
TI	*(34)EXECUTION ONLY					
The	A copy must be sent to the Sheriff					
	he Writ/Summons/					K n
Judgment Sumr	nons/Notice/ :		*(36)Seizure/Arre	st		
*(37)(a)	was effected:†(38)		Total kilometres			
*(39)(b)	has failed:‡(40)		(if appropriate)			
			Commission			
			Haulage			
*(41)(c)	has not yet been effected		Labour			
and a fu	ther attempt will		Auctioneer			
be made	·**** -		Advertising			
			Total .			K
owing by yo kindly forwa Servic Total (if	es are due from and bu in respect thereof; and them immediately. se (only if effected) cilometres appropriate) K	K n				R RETURN:
To the Advocate	s for the Plaintiff:		(Signed)			
Messrs			(Name)			
(Address) P.O. I	Box No		(Address)			
c.c. The Court n	amed in the Heading.		(Date)			

(As amended by S.I. No. 105 of 1986)

^{*} Delete whichever inapplicable.

[†] Insert date and place of service, person served and capacity. ‡ Set out reasons with particulars and dates.

NOTICE OF PAYMENT INTO COURT

(General Title)

TAKE NOTICE to			en paid into Co	urt pursuant to Rul	es of Court and the Exchange	
due to*(42)						
{ from						
o the said†(43)	f	in respect of being				
(i) *(44)a r	resident outside the	Republic;				
(ii) *(45)a person acting by order or on behalf of a person resident outside the Republic; together with*(46)						
less*(47) }	the sum of K	costs.				
Dated the	day of	19 . (Signed)				
		, -	(Advocate	for †(48)		
		RE	ECEIPT			
	e sum of nto Court for the at	oove credit.	kwacha		ngwee	
K Dated the	day of	19 .			Assistant Registrar	
* Delete as required † Plaintiff or Defend					Ç	

MEMORANDUM OF APPEARANCE

(General Title)

Enter an appearance for	or (full names) in this a	action.	
Dated at the	day of	19 .	
		PA	RT A
,	,		ant desires to appear without a Advocate.) (Signed)
My residential address is My postal address is			
, pootal addition to illin			Defendant in person
*(49) As my residenti address within ten kilome			etres from the Registry concerned, I give the following as an a be left for me.
*(50) As my postal ac address within ten kilome			from the Registry concerned, I give the following as a postal / be posted to me:
		PAI	RTB

(This Part is only for use where a defendant appears by Advocate.)
(Signed
Advocate for

Business address Postal address whose address for service is *(51) whose postal address for service is *(52) Agents for of

* Delete if inapplicable.

DIRECTIONS FOR THE GUIDANCE OF DEFENDANTS IN PERSON WHO DESIRE TO ENTER APPEARANCE

Sch. 1

Section X below should be followed where a defendant intends to attend himself at the Registry.

Section Y below should be followed where a defendant wishes to appear by post.

Section X. Personal Appearance by a Defendant

- 1. The Memorandum of Appearance must be completed in duplicate. (O. XI, r. 1.)
- 2. Fill in the full title and number of the action by copying the heading from the writ served on you.
- 3. Insert your full name in the blank space provided after the words "Enter an appearance for". Observe that if a defendant is sued in the firm name, e.g. Smith and Co., appearance must be in the name of the partner or partners so appearing, as an appearance in the name of a firm cannot be accepted. Further, a limited company can only appear by Advocate
 - 4. Date the forms.
 - 5. Complete the information required in and sign Part A. Delete Part B.
- 6. Attend in person at the Registry or District Registry in which the action is proceeding and deliver both copies to the Registry Officer.
- 7. On the same day as appearance is entered, deliver or send by post to the plaintiff's Advocate, or the plaintiff if he is suing in person, the duplicate memorandum returned to you by the Registry Officer. (The address at or to which to deliver or send the memorandum is on the writ.) (O. XI, r. 3 (1).)
- 8. The appearance should be entered within the time stated for so doing on the writ and if not so entered the plaintiff will be entitled to proceed by default and judgment may be given without further notice to you.

Section Y. Personal Appearance by Post

- 1. The Memorandum of Appearance must be completed in triplicate. (O. XI, r. 2.)
- 2. Fill in the full title and number of the action by copying the heading from the writ served on you.
- 3. Insert your full name in the blank space provided after the words "Enter an appearance for". Observe that if a defendant is sued in the firm name, e.g. Smith and Co., appearance must be in the name of the partner or partners so appearing, as an appearance in the name of a firm cannot be accepted. Further, a limited company can only appear by Advocate
 - 4. Date the forms.
 - 5. Complete the information required in and sign Part A. Delete Part B.
- 6. Send all three copies, when completed, without fee by prepaid registered post to the address stated in Note 3 on the front page of the writ (Note 2 in the case of an originating summons), at the same time enclosing two stamped addressed envelopes, one to the plaintiff's Advocates, or to the plaintiff if he sues in person, at the postal address shown on the document served on you and the other to yourself at your postal address for service. (O. XI, r. 2.)
- 7. The forms must be posted so as to be delivered at the Registry or District Registry concerned before the time allowed for appearance (as shown on the first page of the writ) has expired. If the forms are not so delivered, the plaintiff will be entitled to proceed by default and judgment may be given without further notice to you.
- 8. If the forms, when received, are incorrect or incomplete, then appearance cannot be entered and the action may proceed as in 7 above. The time for appearance *cannot be extended*.

If you do not employ a Advocate you are advised to refer to Order XI of the High Court Rules for all requirements relating to the entry of appearance.

NOTICE LIMITING DEFENCE

(General Title)

TAKE NOTICE that the (above-named) defendant

limits his defence to part only of the property mentioned in the writ of summons, namely, to *(53)

Dated the day of 19 .

(Signed) of Agent for

Advocate for the above-named defendant.

То

The plaintiff's Advocates.

* Describe the part.

SEARCH

(General Title)

SEARCH FOR

Dated the day of 19 .

(Signed) (Address) Agent for Advocate for

(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

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REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA

SUMMONS (GENERAL FORM)

(General Title)

Let all parties concerned attend before in Chambers, on the day of 19 at o'clock in the noon

on the hearing of an application on the part of

Dated at this day of 19

This Summons was taken out by

of Advocate(s) for the

To of and to his Advocate(s).

SUMMONS UNDER ORDER XIII

(General Title)

UPON READING the affidavit of

let all parties concerned attend the Deputy/District/Registrar in Chambers, on the o'clock in the at

noon on the hearing of an application on the part of the plaintiff that he be at liberty to sign final judgment against

and costs.

Dated the day of

19

То

SUMMONS FOR DIRECTIONS

(General Title)

Let all parties concerned attend the Assistant/Deputy/District/Registrar in Chambers, on the

day of 19 o'clock

in the noon on the hearing of an application on the part of to show cause why an order for

directions should not be made in this action as follows:

Pleadings

Discovery

Inspection
Setting down for trial

Place of trial

Mode of trial

Liberty to either party to apply

That the costs of this application be costs in the cause.

Dated at the day of

This summons was taken out at

by

Advocate for the plaintiff.

To the defendant(s) and to his (their) Advocate(s).

PRAECIPE OF SUBPOENA

(General Title)

Seal a writ of subpoena directed to

on behalf of the , returnable

Dated the

day of

19 .

(Signed) (Address) Advocate for

SUMMONS TO A WITNESS

(Subpoena ad Testificandum)

(General Title)

То

You are commanded in the President's name to atter	nd before the High Court for Z	ambia at on the
day of 19 at the hour of in the give evidence on behalf of the plaintiff (<i>or</i> defendant). WITNESS The Honourable	noon and so from day to	day until the above cause is tried, to
WITNESS THE HOHOUTAble	Chief Justice of Zambia	
Dated the One Thousand Nine Hundred and	day of	in the year of Our Lord

Notice (strike out if inapplicable): Notice will be given to you of the day on which your attendance will be required.

SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM

(General Title)

10		
You are commanded in the Presiden	it's name to attend before the High Cou	irt for Zambia at
on the day of	19 at the hour of	in the noon and so from day to day until
the above cause is tried, to give evider the time and place aforesaid	nce on behalf of the plaintiff (or defenda	ant) and also to bring with you and produce at
WITNESS The Honourable		
	Chief Jus	tice of Zambia
Dated the	day of	in the year of Our Lord
One Thousand Nine Hundred and		

WARRANT FOR PRISONER TO GIVE EVIDENCE

(General Title)

To the Officer in Charge of the Prison at

You are commanded to have , a prisoner under your custody, before the High Court for Zambia at on the day of next at o'clock in the noon, to give evidence in the above-named cause, and immediately after he has there and then given his evidence to return.

Issued at the day of 19
Chief Justice/Judge

(As amended by S.I. No. 71of 1997)

REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR ZAMBIA (AT THE DISTRICT REGISTRY*(54)) 19...... No...... **BETWEEN** Plaintiff/Petitioner/Applicant and Defendant/Respondent and /Co-Respondent and NOTICE OF HEARING TAKE NOTICE that the above cause will be heard and determined by the High Court for Zambia at on the day of 19 at the hour of o'clock in the noon. Judge Court No. Deputy Assistant Registrar To:Advocates for c.c. to: Notice Board Assistant Registrar NOTE: This form should be used whenever a date is fixed other than by a Summons or by Mention or by adjournment the date of which is mentioned in open court. *Delete if inapplicable.

REFERRAL ORDER - 0.XXX1 r4 (Order XXX1 Rule 4)

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FORM 28A

		Cause No. / /
IN THE HIGH COURT FOR ZAMBIA		
Holden at		
BETWEEN:		
		PLAINTIFF(S)
		DEFENDANT(S)
To: THE MEDIATION OFFICER		
Having satisfied myself that this action is ready for	trial I hereby refer it	for mediation.
Please assign a mediator to mediate and ensure Failure to do so will amount to contempt of Court.	e that the mediator	collects the record from your office immediately.
Dated the	day of	
	Trial Judge	
		(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING: THE ROLE OF THE MEDIATOR - $0.\mathsf{XXX1}$ r 9 FORM 28B

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR ZAMBIA	Cause No. / /
Holden at	
BETWEEN:	
	PLAINTIFF(S)
	DEFENDANT(S)
My name is	utral party to help you resolve you dispute. I will not act as
This mediation is strictly confidential. No party shall be bound is reached. If a settlement is reached, the agreement shall be reall parties to the agreement. Each party agrees not to request to me or the other party to testify regarding statements made in me	educed to writing and, when signed, shall be binding upon that, I, the mediator testify against the other party, nor ask
Please sign below to acknowledge that you have read and/or	understand this statement.
Plaintiff(s)	Defendant(s)
Plaintiff's Advocate	Defendant's Advocate
	 Date
	(As amended by S.I. No. 71 of 1997)

MEDIATOR'S REPORT - 0.XXX1 r 11

FORM 28C

		Cause No. / /	Sch. 1
IN THE HIGH COURT FOR ZA	MBIA		
Holden at			
BETWEEN:			
		PLAINTIFF(S)	
		DEFENDANT(S)	
TO: THE MEDIATION OFFICE	R		
this action and having conduct	ed mediation between the parties do her	having been designated as mediato eby report that the parties have failed to reac of your receiving this report to remit the rec	:h a
Dated the	day of		
	Mediator's Signature		
		(As amended by S.I. No. 71ot19	97)

MEDIATION SETTLEMENT - 0.XXX1 r 12

FORM 28D

	Ca	use No.	/	1
IN THE HIGH COURT FOR ZAMBIA				
Holden at				
BETWEEN:				
PLAINTIFF(S)				
DEFENDANT(S) We, the undersigned parties to this action have a	greed to settle our disputes/differences as	s follows:		
Dated the	day of			
Plaintiff(s)		Defenda	 nt(s)	
Plaintiff's Advocate	 Def	endant's A	 Advo	cate
Mediator	Me	diator's Fu	 ull Na	nme
	(As ar	mended b	y S.I.	No. 71 <i>ot</i> 1997)

WARRANT TO ATTACH PROPERTY BEFORE JUDGMENT

(General Title)

To The Sheriff of Zambia and his Bailiffs.		
WHEREAS it has been shown to the sa of to obstruct or delay the execution of ar remove out of the jurisdiction of the Court	, the de ny decree which may be passed against	efendant in the above suit, with intent him therein, is about to dispose of or
defendant (or certain property specified t	e, attach and take into your hands the m to the value of K), and to hold thwith after the execution of this writ to rendorsed thereon.	I the same until the further order of the
		Chief Justice/Judge

JUDGMENT

(Default of Appearance)

(General Title)

Dated at the day of 19

The defendant not having appeared to the writ of summons herein, it is this day adjudged that the plaintiff recover against the said defendant K and K costs (or costs to be taxed).

JUDGMENT

(Default of Defence)

(General Title)

Dated at the day of 19

The defendant not having delivered any defence, it is this day adjudged that the plaintiff recover against the said defendant K and K costs (or costs to be taxed).

ORDER (GENERAL FORM)

			. (,	
IN THE HIGH COURT F	FOR ZAMBIA			
(AT THE	DISTRICT REGIST	RY*(55))		19 H No
†(56) Judge (or Registr	ar)		in Chambers.	10
BETWEEN				Plaintiff
			and	Defendant
UPON HEARING				Defendant and UPON READING the affidavit(s)
	day of up by .	of,	19	

FORMAL DECREE

(General Title)

It is decreed in the above suit that the above-named plaintiff do recover from the above-named defendant the sum of K together with K for costs, and the said defendant is bereby ordered to pay the sum of K

costs, and the said defendant is hereby ordered to pay the sum of K forthwith (*or* by the following instalments).

day of

Debt .. K Costs .. K

Dated the

Costs .. K

Judge/Deputy/District/Registrar

19 .

ATTACHMENT OF EARNINGS ORDER

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR	ZAMBIA		
(AT THE	DISTRICT REGIS	STRY*(57))	
	TION AND MAINTENANCE OF CH	IILDREN (Cap. 55)	19 H No
BETWEEN**(58)			
	an	nd	
aged years a	and who works at		as a
under a maintenance order		f	called "the defendant") is required,
it appears that at the time equal to not less than four	the application was made there w of the weekly payments required to of the payments required by the co	as due under the mainten by the order (<i>or if the m</i>	nance order and unpaid an amount paintenance order is not for weekly all to be paid by
do make payments out of		with the Affiliation and	Maintenance of Children Act to for transmission to the said .
be	• •		ents the normal deduction rate shal a week†(62) and
Dated at		this	day of , 19
said* * Delete if inapplicable. † Or as the case may be	t come into force until one week af	ter service on the	

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO VARY ATTACHMENT OF EARNINGS ORDER

IN THE HIC	SH COURT FOR ZAMBIA	
(AT THE	DISTRICT REGISTRY*(64))	
In the ma	atter of AFFILIATION AND MAINTENANCE OF CHILDREN (Cap. 64)	19 H No
BETWEEN	· · /	
	and	
	alu	
	S by an attachment of earnings order dated the	
out of the e in or toward order made	, 19 arnings falling to be paid by him to	to make payment to me under a maintenance
AND WH	IEREAS it appears that-	
(a)	the aggregate of the payments made for the purposes of the maintenance order expayments required by that order; and	exceeds the aggregate of the
(b)	the normal deduction rate specified by the attachment of earnings order excrequired by the maintenance order; and	eeds the rate of payments
(c)	no proceedings for the variation or discharge of the attachment of earnings order a	are pending:
for Zambia varying it in normal ded	OTICE that unless the said	achment of earnings order or rnings order by reducing the
Dated at	this d	ay of, 19
	(Signed)‡(67)	
	(Designation)	
of And to of * Delete † Or as t	if inapplicable. he case may be. signed by the officer of the High Court to whom payments under the attachment	t of earnings order are to be

NOTICE OF NON-EMPLOYMENT OF DEFENDANT

IN THE HIGH COUR		
(AT THE	DISTRICT REGISTRY*(68))	19 H No
	In the matter of AFFILIATION AND MAINTENANCE OF CHILDREN	N (Cap. 64)
BETWEEN		
	†(69)and	
	NOTICE	
directed to make payr	ttachment of earnings order made by the above-named court on the transmit to the \$\pm\$(70)	Registrar
I hereby give notice period of four week	ce under section 12 (4) of theAffiliation and Maintenance of Children Aks immediately preceding the§(72)day ofday of	Act that on no occasion during the
To: The Registrar of at	the High Court (or the District Registrar of the High Court)	
* Delete if inapplica †Title as in attachn ‡ Please insert "Dis § Please insert dat		ay be appropriate.

WARRANT OF ATTACHMENT

(General Title)

To The Sheriff of Zambia and his Bailiffs.

You are required to attach of , so as to have him before this Court at , there to answer, as well touching a contempt which he is alleged to have committed, as also such other matters as shall be there laid to his charge, and further to perform and abide such order as

the Court shall make in this behalf. And bring this writ with you.

Dated at the day of 19 .

Chief Justice/Judge

WARRANT OF ARREST AND COMMITMENT

(General Title)

To the Sheriff of Zambia and his Bailiffs.

WHEREAS by an order bearing date the day of

, it was ordered that of

should stand committed to prison (and be kept to labour) for

months/days for contempt of this Court:

YOU ARE THEREFORE COMMANDED in the President's name forthwith to arrest the said

, and him safely deliver to the officer in charge of the , there to be imprisoned and kept to labour for months/days

prison at

from the date of the arrest under this warrant.

Dated at day of the

Chief Justice/Judge

CERTIFICATE AFTER TRIAL

(General Title)

I certify that the above cause was tried before t	ihe Honourable
in Court at on the day(s)	
of, 19, and occupied the	time of the Court as follows:
First day, from	
from	to
Second day, from	to
from	to
Third day, from	to
from	to
Fourth day, from	to
from	to
Fifth day, from	to
from	to
Sixth day, from	to
19 , and occupied the time of the Court as foll from	
as follows:	be entered for the
or *(75)A certified copy of the written judgment of is annexed hereto.	
Dated at	this, 19
	Deputy Assistant Registrar
* Delete as appropriate.	Deputy Assistant Negistral

* Delete as appropriate.

Original to successful party.

Copies to other parties and the Assistant Registrar.

PRAECIPE OF FIERI FACIAS

(General Title)

Seal a writ of fieri facias directed to the Sheriff of Zambia and his Bailiffs against

of upon a judgment

(or order) dated the day of 19, for the sum of

K and K costs and interest.

Endorsed to levy K and interest thereon at K per annum from theday of 19

and K costs of execution.

Advocate for

(As amended by No. 305 of 1968 and by S.I. No. 105 of 1986)

WRIT OF FIERI FACIAS

(General Title)

To the Sheriff of Zambia and his Bailiffs

you cause to be made the sum of 19, which so action wherein is plaintiff a day of 19, adjudged (or orde) mentioned and	aid sum of money and interest were and defendant by a j ered) to be paid by the said to	t the rate of K per annum from the *(76) day e lately before the High Court for Zambia in a certain udgment (or order) of the said Court bearing date the o the said together with certain costs in the said allowed by the Taxing Master of the said Court at the
pursuance of the said judgment (said sum of K per c ne said Court immediately after the c	(costs) together with entum per annum from the*(77) day of 19, and execution hereof to be paid to the said in shall have executed this writ make appear to the said s writ.
WITNESS The Honourable		
	Chief	Justice of Zambia
Dated the One Thousand Nine Hundred and	day of	in the year of Our Lord
* Day of decree or order, or do order to run, as the case may be.	lay on which money is directed to b	ne paid, or day from which interest is directed by the
	(As amen	dea by S.I. No. 105 of 1986 and S.I. No. 174 of 1990)
	ENDORSEMENT	Г
on K at K per cen	costs of execution, etc., and also int tum per annum from the da ing and all other legal incidental exp	ay of 19 until payment; besides Sheriff's
This writ was issued by who resides at	of	, Advocate for
The in the District of	is a	and resides at
		(As amended by No. 305 of 1968)

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REQUEST AND AUTHORITY TO UNDER-SHERIFF

(Walking Possession)

^{*} Delete whichever inapplicable.

PRAECIPE OF ELEGIT (OR RE-ELEGIT)

(General Title)

Seal a Writ of Elegit (or Re-Elegit) directed to the Sheriff of Zambia against	
the above-named defendant of	
to	the above-named plaintiff the sum
of K together with interest thereon on the	
19 and the sum of K for costs with interest thereon at the rate of K	
JUDGMENT (or Order) dated the	19
(Taxing Master's certificate dated the	dav of
19)	
	Advocates for
	whose address for service is at

WRIT OF ELEGIT

(General Title)

To the Sheriff of Zambia.

WHEREAS lately in the High Court for Zambia in intituledwhereinwherein	
is plaintiff and	defendant by a judgment (or order) of the said of19 it was adjudged (or ordered)
should pay unto	the sum of Ktogether with interest thereon
together also with certain costs as in the said judgment (or order) allowed by the Taxing Master of the said Court at the sum of K Master dated the	mentioned and which costs have been taxed andas appears by the certificate of the said Taxing
AND afterwards the said came into the said Court and accord chose to be delivered to him all such lands, tenements, rents and herec trust for him was seised or possessed of on the	litaments in your bailwick as the said . or anyone in
from the saidsooner paid. Therefore you are commanded that without delay you caus	se to be delivered to the said
by a reasonable price and extent all such lands, and tenements, rents a or any person or persons in trust for h	im was or were seised or possessed of on the said
said	own benefit to hold the said lands, tenements, rents hereof to him and to his assigns until the said two shall have been levied or sooner paid. And in what
WITNESS The Honourable	ef Justice of Zambia
Dated the One Thousand Nine Hundred and	
	Registrar
Receipt under Section 26, Sale of Goods Act, 1893.	
The above writ was delivered to me aton the day of, 19	o'clock in the noon
	Sherifl

NOTE: Also under section 7 (2) of the Sheriffs Act (Cap. 37), a Sheriff at the request of a person delivering a writ to him for execution shall give a receipt for that writ stating the day of its delivery.

FORMS OF RETURN

(General Title)

(1) RETURN TO ELEGIT THAT DEFENDANT HAS NO LANDS, ETC.

The within named defendant hath not nor hath any person in trust for him any lands, tenements, rents or hereditaments

within my bailiwick whereof I can cause to be levied K and interest I am within commanded.	K within mentioned or any part thereof as
The answer of	
	Sherift (Seal)
(2) RETURN WHERE THE DEFENDANT HAS LANDS, ETC	
The answer of	
	Sheriff to Wit.
That the within named defendant on the	
	Sherifl (Seal)
Filed as of record together with the Sheriff's Inquisition theday of19	
	Registrar

ELEGIT FOR THE RESIDUE AFTER A FIERI FACIAS

(General Title)	
To the Sheriff of Zambia	
Whereas lately in the High Court for Zambia in a certain action (or matter) there depending is plaintiff and defendant by a judgment (or order the said action (or matter) and bearing date the was adjudged (or ordered) that) of the said Court made in day of, 19, it
should pay unto	th interest thereon after the ay of, 19, together n taxed and allowed by the
AND whereupon by a Writ you were lately commanded that of the goods and chattels of the should cause to be made the sum of K and also interest thereon at the rate of K p the	per centum per annum from h the said costs in the said e of K per centum per of, 19, and that on thereof to be paid to the in pursuance of the said ke appear to the said Court
AND afterwards the said	residue of the said K ents in your bailiwick as the n was seised or possessed
of on the	day of
said on the day	of, 19, had
any disposing power which he might without the assent of any other person exercise for his o lands, tenements, rents and hereditaments respectively, according to the nature and tenure assigns until the said sum of K (or the several sums of K and K) togethe shall have been levied or sooner paid. And in what manner you shall have executed this Wr Court under your seal immediately after the execution thereof. And have there then this Writ.	thereof to him and to his r with interest as aforesaid
WITNESS The Honourable	
Chief Justice of Zambia	
Dated the day of	•
Regis	strar
Receipt under Section 26, Sale of Goods Act, 1893.	
The above writ was delivered to me at	clock in the noon

NOTE: Also under section 7 (2) of the Sheriffs Act (Cap. 37), a Sheriff at the request of a person delivering a writ to him for execution shall give a receipt for that writ stating the day of its delivery.

Sherifl

WRIT OF RE-ELEGIT

(General Title)

To t	he She	riff of	Zambia
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Whereas lately in the High Court for Zambia in a certain action (or matter) then wherein is plaintiff anddefe	endant by a judgme	ent (or order) of the said
Court made in the said action (or matter) and bearing date the		day of ,
unto		
thereon after the rate of K per centum per annum from the		day
of	ng Master of the sa	id Court at the sum of K
AND afterwards the said	o him all such land	ls, tenements, rents and
or anyone in trust for him was or were seised or possessed of on the		day
which the said on the said on the said .		
time afterwards had any disposing power which he might without the assent benefit to hold to him the said lands, tenements, rents and hereditaments respe thereof until the several sums specified together with interest as aforesaid should	of any other person ectively according t	on exercise for his own to the nature and tenure
AND in pursuance of the Writ of Elegit dated the	to be delivered a	
AND you on the day of, 19, did make return to the said High Cou taken before you by	rt for Zambia a cer	
the last past whereby it was found (here recite finding)		
AND because the said Court is now given to understand that the said	h divers other land n above set forth,	ls, tenements, rents and which said other lands,
THEREFORE the saidthat he may so have them, according to due course of law:	hath humbly t	pesought the said Court
THEREFORE you are commanded that you cause to be delivered to the said		
in the presence of the said	itaments of the said of the said several form of the statute	din I sums of K and K
AND in what manner you shall have executed this Writ make appear to execution thereof under your Seal:	the Court aforesai	d immediately after the
AND have there then this Writ. WITNESS The Honourable		
Chief Justice	of Zambia	
Dated the		•
Receipt under Section 26, Sale of Goods Act, 1893.	Regis	trar
The above writ was delivered to me at	o'clock in t	he noon
	Sherii	 H
NOTE: Also under section 7 (2) of the Sheriffs Act (Cap. 37), a Sheriff at the req execution shall give a receipt for that writ stating the day of its delivery.	•	

BOND FOR COSTS ON APPEAL

(General Title)

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESE	of , of ,	and
are jointly and severally held and firm of , in the su to be paid to the said assigns, for which payment well and every of our heirs, executors and adr	m of truly to be made, we bind ourselv	kwacha of lawful money, , his executors, administrators or ves, and each of us for himself, in the whole, our and ents. Sealed with our seals.
Dated the One Thousand Nine Hundred and .	day of	, in the year of Our Lord
WHEREAS a suit is now dependin is defendant;	g in the court below at is plaintiff, and the said	wherein the said
And whereas a judgment was give day of 19 for the has applied for leave to appeal from	e said , and the sa	
And whereas it is by law provided such costs as may be awarded to an		re security to the satisfaction of the court below for all
And whereas the above-named at the request of the said this obligation for the purposes afore		d, , have agreed to enter into
Now the condition of this obligation and executors, administrators or assigns void, otherwise shall remain in full for	, any or eithe s, the costs of the said appeal a rce.	r of them, shall pay unto the said , his s the Court shall order, then this obligation shall be
Signed, sealed and delivered)		(L.S.) (L.S.)
in the presence of)	}	(L.S.) Registrar
		Registrar

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE OF FOREIGN PROCESS

- I, Registrar of the High Court for Zambia, hereby certify that the documents annexed hereto are as follows:
 - (1) The original letter of request for service of process from the court or tribunal at in the matter of versus , and
 - (2) The process received with such letter of request, and
- (3) The evidence of service upon the person named in such letter of request with a verification of a Commissioner for Oaths.

And I certify that such service so proved and the proof thereof are such as are required by the law and the practice of this Court regulating the service of legal process and the proof thereof.

And I certify that the cost of effecting such service as duly certified by the taxing master of the Court amounts to the sum of K

Dated at the day of 19

Registrar

REQUEST TO SEARCH JUDGMENTS REGISTER OR JUDGMENTS SECTION OF THE CIVIL CAUSES REGISTER (INDIVIDUAL SEARCH)

n the High Court for Zambia. At the*District Registry.)*(83) o the (District)*(84) Registrar.	
our Registry for the record of any entries against the following	ster/Judgments Section of the Civil Causes Register†(85) ang: le names)
For the fees, I attach hereunder K‡(86)	(0)
	(Signed) (Address)
	(Date)
	ZAMBIA REVENUE STAMPS
	To Be Affixed Here

^{*} Delete if inapplicable. † Delete whichever is inapplicable. ‡ 10n for every name searched against.

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR GENERAL SEARCHES IN JUDGMENTS REGISTERS (AGAINST UNSPECIFIED NUMBER OF NAMES)

To: The Registrar of the High Court,			Γ	٦
P.O. Box RW.50067,			I	Address and Date
Lusaka.			L	
I/We hereby make application for the issue to me permit(s) for the purpose of making general sea Judgments Registers in the Principal and District Re	arches against ar	ny number of un	specified	judgment debtors in the
For the purpose I/we enclose herewith Kof the fees therefor in respect of the year ending the				in payment
I/We understand and agree that it is a condition of its servants or agents will not in any event be Register whether the same be due to negligence or	liable for any mis			
In addition I/we hereby agree to indemnify the Go from the making of any entry in any Register or the	•		r agents a	gainst all actions resulting
The above permits should be made in favour of set out below:	the following pers	ons respectively,	specimen	s of whose signatures are
†(88)		‡(89)		
	(Signed)			
* State number required.				
† State name or names.				

- ‡ Speciment signatures.

PERMIT FOR GENERAL SEARCHES IN JUDGMENTS REGISTERS (AGAINST UNSPECIFIED NUMBER OF NAMES)

High Court for Zambia,

To: The Deputy Registrar, All District Registrars, Assistant Registrars, and Clerks of Court.	Lusaka.
This is to certify that	19, hereby authorised to search for entries against gisters at any Registry of the High Court for Zambia or
Dated at Lusaka the day of, 19	
	Registrar of the High Court
NOTE: This permit is issued subject to the conditions and to the rether application made by	day of, 19, being an application
	Specimen Signature

	REPUBLIC OF ZAM	//BIA	
	FEE SHEET		
To: The Registrar, (Probate Regie High Court, P.O. Box RW5	stry),	(Dated)	
Lusaka.	,		
Sir,			
	PROBATE FEE	S	
The attached appl	ication (or as the case may be) is forwarded for ne	cessary action.	
I attach hereto star	mps to the value of K	mac	e up as follows:
No.	Item	Amour	nt of Fee
		к	n
The Grant (or as	s the case may be) should be forwarded to:		,

Yours faithfully,

SECOND SCHEDULE

(Order 1, Rule 4)

PART I

GENERAL FEES APPLICABLE TO ALL DIVISIONS OTHER THAN PROBATE NON-CONTENTIOUS AND WHERE OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY LAID DOWN AND IN ADDITION TO OTHER FEES LAID DOWN SPECIFICALLY IN OTHER COURTS UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES

No.		Fee units	Document to be receipted
1.	On sealing a writ of summons or		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
	originating application of any matter	167	The filed copy
2.	On sealing a concurrent or renewed writ of summons or concurrent		,
	originating summons	17	The praecipe
3.	On sealing any amendment	17	The filed copy
4.	On sealing a summons in chambers (including a summons for directions or notice for further		
5.	directions) On filing an interlocutory notice of	50	The summons or notice
	motion or application not		
_	specifically provided for	50	The filed notice or application
6.	On sealing a third party notice	50	The filed copy
7.	On sealing a commission or letter of request for the examination of		
	witness abroad	50	The praecipe of undertaking
8.	On the examination of a witness	00	The practipe of undertaking
-	before an officer of the Court		
	(including the examination of a		
	Judgment debtor) or each half		
	hour or part thereof	83	The order or praecipe
	NB-Where the officer is required		
	to take the examination away from his office his reasonable		
	travelling and other expenses are		
	also payable.		
9.	On filing deposition: each deposition	17	The filed copy
10.	On an application for copies of the		
	notes of Judge for the use of the		
	Supreme Court of Zambia per page or part thereof	17	The application
11.	On sealing a writ of subpoena for	17	The application
	each witness	17	The praecipe
12.	On sealing a writ of subpoena for		
	each witness	17	The filed copy
13.	On filing an affidavit	17	The filed document
14.	On filing a certificate of service	17	The filed document
15.	(a) On personal individual search in the Judgments Registers or in		
	the Judgments Section of the		
	Civil Causes Register for every		
	name	17	The search form
	(b) On personal general searches in		
	the Judgments Registers for		
	unspecified number of names in		
	any calendar year, in any registry	4 4 4 4	In each manches to the Deviction of the
	of the High Court	1,111	In cash, payable to the Registrar of the
		for a year or part thereof	High Court
	(c) On a search for appearance of	Part triol60i	
	any other search (including an		
	inspection) not otherwise		
	provided for	11	The search praecipe

No.		Fee units	Document to be receipted
16.	For a certificate of appearance of a pleading affidavit or proceeding having been entered, filed or	. co a.m.e	2000
	taken or the negative thereof, unless otherwise provided	17	The certificate
17.	On entering or sealing an order	17	The certificate
18.	made in Chambers On entering or sealing an order of	22	The order
	reference under O.XX	44	The order
19.	On sealing or approving an		
	advertisement, or any other		
	document or deed (other than	22	T. (1)
00	Judgment or orders)	33	The filed copy
20.	On entering or setting down any		
	cause or matter for hearing in Court, except where otherwise		
	provided	111	The filed copy or record
21.	On entering or sealing a judgment,		The med copy of record
	decree or order given, directed or		
	made in the trial, hearing or		
	further consideration or a cause		
	or matter in court (other than a		
	matrimonial cause or judgment		
00	summons) per day or part thereof	111	The judgment decree or order
22. 23.	On hearing a judgment summons On entering or sealing any other	69	The order
23.	judgment or order	44	The judgment or order
24.	On sealing or filing a writ of		The judgment of order
	execution (including a writ of		
	attachment)	44	The praecipe
25.	On filing a case stated	44	The case
26.	On taking an account of monies		
	received by a person liable to		
	account for the same for every		
	K1,500 or fraction of K1,500 of	11	The certificate
27.	the amount received On taking an account of monies due	11	rne cerinicate
21.	to any person for every K1,500 of		
	the amount found to be due	11	The certificate
28.	On an inquiry as to damages for		
	every K1,500 or fraction of		
	K1,500 of the amount certified	11	The certificate
29.	For copies of documents or		
	proceedings per page or part	47	The effice com.
30.	thereof For certifying a copy as an office	17	The office copy
30.	copy and in addition if under seal	22	The office copy
31.	On filing any notice not specifically	22	The office copy
٠	provided for	22	The filed copy
32.	On the taxation of a bill of costs		,
	for every K1,500 or fraction of		
	K1,500 allowed	11	The bill
33.	Application (including registration)		
	to register a judgment when no		
	fee is provided by the ordinance or Act providing for registration	44	The certificate of judgment
	Act providing for registration	74	The certificate of Judgitterit

PART II

APPEALS

34.	On filing application for leave to		
	appeal to the court	44	The notice
35.	On leave being granted to appeal to		
	the Court	44	The order
36.	On every bond	44	The filed copy
37.	On hearing any appeal other than a criminal appeal per day or part		
	thereof	17	The judgment

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PART III Sch. 2

DIVORCE AND MATRIMONIAL CAUSES

No.		Fee units	Document to be receipted
38.	On presenting and filing a petition	250	The petition
39.	On amending a petition	22	The praecipe
40.	On filing an answer or reply	28	The filed copy
41.	On application for ancillary relief	44	The application
42.	On filing affidavit in answer to		
	application for ancillary relief or		
	affidavit in reply thereto on filing		
	particulars	17	The filed affidavit
43.	On setting down and hearing per		
	day or part of the day	167	
44.	On filing notice of application to		
	make decree absolute	44	The certificate
45.	On sealing a copy of a decree nisi or		
	absolute	44	The filed copy
	NB-The fees listed in this part are		
	in addition to the original fees		
	listed at Part I hereto unless the		
	consent specifically required		
	otherwise.		

PART IV

PROBATE (NON-CONTENTIOUS)

No.	Grants	Fee units
46.	On probate or letter of administration with or without the will annexed:	
	If the gross estate does not exceed K30,000 If the gross estate exceeds K30,000 but does not exceed	139
	K300,000	167
	If the gross estate exceeds K300,000	222
Subse	equent Grants	
47.	For any second or subsequent grant in respect of the same deceased person	The same as on the previous grant
48.	For every duplicate or triplicate probate or letters of	
	administration with or without the will annexed	44
Resea	aling	
49.	For resealing a grant under the Probates (Resealing) Act	167
50.	Statutory Advertisements in Zambia Government Gazette	167
Altera	tions in Grants, etc	
51.	For noting on a grant that the deceased died domiciled in	
	Zambia, if not so noted when the grant was issued (inclusive	
	fee)	44
52.	For amending a grant (including Registrar's order, etc)	83
53.	And in addition, if a new bond is required	11
54.	For revocation of a grant (including Registrar's order, etc)	50
55.	For impounding a grant, or releasing an impounded grant	5 0
	(inclusive fee)	50
56.	For noting on a grant and the record the addition of a personal	44
57.	representative (including filing the affidavit)	44
57.	For noting on record that an executor to whom power was reserved has renounced (inclusive fee)	44
58.	For the preparation of a memorandum under the Inheritance	44
56.	(Family Provisions) Act, 1938 (as applied to Zambia),	
	photocopy thereof, and for noting the grant and filing the	
	order (inclusive fee)	17
Cavea	,	
59.	For the entry of subduction of a caveat	11
60.	For a warning to a caveat	22
61.	For service of warning by post	83

No.	Grants	Fee units					
Citatio	Citations and Advertisements						
62.	For settling abstract of citation for advertisement, or other						
00	advertisement	83					
63.	For settling and sealing a citation (inclusive fee)	83					
Depos	it of Wills						
64.	For depositing a will of a deceased person in the Probate						
	Registry for safe custody on renunciation of executor						
G.E.	(inclusive fee)	44 28					
65. 66.	For obtaing a will brought in a subpoena on application for grant For depositing in the Probate Registry for safe custody the will	20					
00.	of a living person (inclusive fee)	44					
C	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,						
Searci 67.	hes and Inspections For search for a document filed in the Probate Registry or other						
07.	authorised place of deposit including inspection of registered						
	copy of the will or the original will (if unregistered) or any						
	other document	11					
68.	For inspecting an original will that has been registered in						
	addition to the fee for search	11					
69.	(a) For search for a will or letters of administration or other	47					
	document on behalf of the party applying for a search (b) For every year or part of a year	17 17					
70.	For photocopy or extract of a will deposited in the Probate	17					
	Registry or other authorised place of deposit;						
	For each photocopy or extract:						
	(a) if of A4 size	44					
	(b) if over A4 size	83					
71.	For a photocopy of probate or letters of administration	44					
72.	For a photocopy of the record of the resealing in Zambia of a grant	44					
73.	For a typewritten copy or extract of a document filed or	44					
	deposited in Probate Registry or other authorised place of						
	deposit per page or part thereof	17					
74.	For collating a copy with the original document including the						
	Registrar's certificate in verification thereof per page or copy	17					
75.	For Registrar's certificate in verification of a photocopy	22					
76. 77.	For impressing the seal of the Court on a copy For an exemplification, in addition to the fees for engrossing	28					
,,,	and collating	83					
78.	For engrossing and collating will etc per page or part thereof	17					
79.	For examining and sending by post a plain copy or a will	83					
Miscal	laneous						
80.	For production by an officer of the Court of books or documents						
	in any Court of Law or elsewhere where an officer has to						
	remain in attendance for each day or part of a day on which						
	he so attends in addition to necessary expenses	167					
81.	For taxing a bill of costs, inclusive of Registrar's certificate	The same fee as payable					
82.	For a summana, order on summana mation and order on	in an action					
02.	For a summons, order on summons motion and order on motion	The same fee as payable in action					
83.	(i) For Registrar's order	22					
	(ii) For filing a document	11					
	(iii) For a certificate or minute under the hand of the Registrar						
	or Judge	22					
	Note: This fee is not payable when the filing of the certificate or						
	minute is included in a proceeding for which another fee is						
84.	payable For Registrar's fiat on refusing probate (inclusive fee)	83					
85.	For perusing and settling oaths, affidavits or other documents:	00					
55.	For any one document settled	44					
	For any number of additional documents in the same case, a						
	further inclusive fee of	44					

PART V

BANKRUPTCY OR INSOLVENCY

No.		Fee uni	Document to be receipted
86.	On every receiving order	83	
87.	On every other order	44	
88.	On every attendance at meeting of creditors	83	
89.	On every proof of debt tendered where the amount	22	The original proof
00	exceeds K100,000	22	The original proof
90.	On every declaration of inability to pay debts	44	The filed copy
91.	On every bankruptcy notice	22	The filed copy
92.	On every bankruptcy petitioning	417	The filed copy
93.	On every application for Order of discharge (including hearing fee)	206	
94.	On each creditor notified, (expenses of advertising shall be lodged in cash with Official Receiver on the application)	83	In cash
95.	On each notice by the Official Receiver to a creditor of a first	00	11 00011
	or any other meeting or any sitting of the Court	83	
96.	On every application to the Court to approve a composition, a		
	fee computed at the following rates on the gross amount of		
	composition, that is, K800 on every K30,000 or fraction of		
	K30,000 up to K1,500,000 and K400 on every K30,000 or		
	fraction of K30,000 beyond K1,500,000	_	The filed copy
97.	On every application to the court to prove a scheme or		
	arrangement, a fee computed on the gross amount of the		
	estimated assets at similar rates as for a composition	-	The filed copy
98.	On the net assets realised or brought to credit by the Official		
	Receiver whether acting as interim receiver, receiver or		
	trustee, and on the net assets realised by trustee to administer		
	a debtor's property under a composition or scheme, a		
	percentage according to the following scale:		
	On the first K3,000,000 or fraction thereof	10	per cent
	On the next K4,500,000 or fraction thereof	9	per cent
	On the next K750,000 or fraction thereof	8	per cent
	On the next K1,500,000 or fraction thereof	7.5	per cent
	On all further sums	2.5	per cent in cash
99.	On the amount distributed in dividend by the Official Receiver		
	when acting as trustee under adjudications scheme or orders		
	of administration of the property of a deceased insolvent, a		
	percentage according to the following scale:		
	On the first K3,000,000 or fraction thereof		per cent
	On the next K4,050,000 or fraction thereof		per cent
	On the next K6,000,000 or fraction thereof		per cent
	On all further sums	2.5	per cent in cash
Applica	ation for Discharge of Trustees		
100.	On passing liquidation accounts where the net assets for		
	distribution-		
	(a) do not exceed K300,000 or fraction therof	22	
	(b) exceed K300,000 but do not exceed K900,000	44	
	(c) exceed K900,000 but do not exceed K1,500,000	67	
	(d) exceed K1,500,000 but do not exceed K3,000,000	122	
	(e) exceed K3,000,000 for every additional K300,000	000	la acab
104	or part thereof		In cash
101.	On application for release	22	The filed copy
102.	On order of release	22	The filed copy

PART VI

FEES, ETC ON EXECUTION AND SERVICE

IVO.	(All these fees are payable in cash)	ree units		
103.	For an arrest by Sheriff's officer	83		
104.	For seizure by Sheriff's officer	83		
105.	For travelling allowance to effect arrest or seizure per kilometre	11		
106.	For man, or when necessary, man in possession, the sum			
	actually and reasonably paid.			
107.	For removal of goods or animals to a place of safe keeping			
	when necessary and for warehousing or taking charge of			
	same when removed, the sum actually and reasonably paid.			
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No.	Grants Fee Units			
108.	For advertising and giving publicity to the sale, printing			
	catalogues, bills and notices and distributing and posting			
	same, the sum actually and reasonably paid.			
109.	On sale under writ or warrant, 10 per centum of the amount			
	realised or of the amount due under the writ or warrant			
	whichever is the less.			
110.	For commission to the auctioneer on sale to include inventory			
	and valuation compiling catalogue and preparing for sale,			
	10 per centum of the amount due under the writ or warrant,			
	whichever is the less.			
111.	Where execution is withdrawn, satisfied or stopped after seizure,			
	but before sale, 2.5 per centum of the amount due under the writ			
	or warrant.			
112.	For commission on the auctioneer where execution is withdrawn,			
	satisfied or stopped after he had been instructed to sell to			
	include inventory valuation compiling catalogue and			
	preparing for sale, 5 per centum of the amount due under the			
	writ or warrant.			
112				
113.	For commission on obtaining possession under writ of			
111	possession, 5 per centum of gross realised value.			
114.	Fee for service of a summons, order or other process of the			
	Court by a bailiff or messenger:			
	(i) not more than three kilometres from the office of the	4.4		
	bailiff or messenger (as case may be)	44		
	(ii) more than three kilometres from such office-			
	(a) fee	44		
	(b) actual out-of-pocket expense (other than sustenance) to			
	be receipted			
Miscel	llaneous			
115.	Registration of documents	278		
116.	Per page transcript of record	6		
	Lada naman h	-	ad by \$1 No. 88 at 1007)	
		(AS amende	ed by S.I. No. 88 of 1997)	
	CENTION 7 (4) THE HIGH COURT (INDICATION OF RESISTANCE	00) Duu 50	Covernment Maria	
	SECTION 7 (1)-THE HIGH COURT (JURISDICTION OF REGISTRARS) RULES Government Notice 293 of 1960			

Rules by the Chief Justice

1. These Rules may be cited as the High Court (Jurisdiction of Registrars) Rules.

2. The Registrar and Deputy Registrars of the High Court shall for all the purposes of the winding-up of companies have the same jurisdiction, powers and duties as have Registrars in Bankruptcy of the High Court of England under the English Companies (Winding-up) Rules, 1929.

Jurisdiction in winding-up of companies

SECTION 7 (2)-THE HIGH COURT (JURISDICTION OF ASSISTANT REGISTRARS) RULES

Rules by the Chief Justice

Government Notice 310 of 1960 Statutory Instrument 63 of 1964

These Rules may be cited as the High Court (Jurisdiction of Assistant Title 1. Registrars) Rules.

2. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires-

Interpretation

- "assistant registrar" means an officer appointed substantively to the office of assistant registrar of the Court and shall include any person lawfully performing the functions of that office if the Chief Justice shall have directed that these Rules shall apply to him while performing such functions;
- "registrar" means in relation to causes or matters proceeding and bills of costs to be taxed in the Principal Registry, the Registrar and a Deputy Registrar, and in relation to causes or matters proceeding and bills of costs to be taxed in a District Registry, a District Registrar.
- An assistant registrar shall, subject to the provisions of this rule, have the powers of a registrar to hear applications in chambers in the Court in respect of the following matters, that is to say:

Applications in chambers

- to renew a writ of summons; (a)
- (b) to issue a third party notice;
- to add as a party the husband, personal representative or trustee of a party, (c) or a successor in interest to a party;
- to amend proceedings before service thereof; (a)
- (e) for directions on a summons for directions or notice for further directions;
- (1) for payment out of Court;
- (g) to renew a writ of execution;
- (h) to enlarge time;
- to make orders by the consent of all parties: (i)

Provided that-

- (i) a registrar may reserve to himself the hearing of any particular application or class of applications in chambers;
- (ii) in hearing applications in chambers, the assistant registrar shall act under the supervision of the registrar and shall have regard to any directions given to him by the registrar;

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- (iii) if any party before the commencement of the hearing of the application objects to its being heard by the assistant registrar, the application shall be transferred for hearing to the list of the registrar at the Principal or District Registry as appropriate;
- (iv) an appeal from the decision of an assistant registrar made under this rule shall lie in accordance with the provisions of Order XXX, rule 10, of the High Court Rules.
- 4. An assistant registrar shall, subject to the provisions of this rule, have power as taxing officer to tax bills of costs as between party and party where the total amount of the bill or bills under any order or reference does not exceed four hundred kwacha and bills of costs as between advocate and client where the amount of the bill or bills does not exceed three hundred kwacha, exclusive of the increase prescribed by the Legal Practitioners (Costs) Order:

Taxation of costs Cap. 30

Provided that-

- bills for taxation as between a Advocate and his client shall be taxed by a registrar;
- (ii) a registrar may reserve for taxation by himself any particular case or class of cases:
- iii) in taxing bills the assistant registrar shall act under the supervision of the registrar and shall have regard to any directions which may be given to him by the registrar;
- (iv) if any party before the commencement of the taxation objects to the bill or any part of it being taxed by the assistant registrar, the bill or the part to which the objection relates shall be taxed by the registrar at the Principal or District Registry as appropriate;
- (v) where a party who is dissatisfied with the allowance or disallowance of the whole or any part of any items in a bill taxed by an assistant registrar as taxing officer in pursuance of these Rules makes application for a review in accordance with the provisions of Order XL, rules 3 and 4, of the High Court Rules, such application shall be made to the registrar at the Principal or District Registry as appropriate.
- 5. An assistant registrar is hereby empowered-

Miscellaneous powers

 (a) to certify office copies and certified copies of judgments, decrees and orders of the Court and to affix the seal of the Court thereto:

Provided that this power shall not extend to the certification of copies of judgments Cap. 76 in accordance with the Foreign Judgments (Reciprocal Enforcement) Rules;

- (b) to sign a certificate of taxation in respect of any taxation which has taken place before himself;
- (c) to conduct the examination as to the means of a judgment debtor in accordance with Order XLII, rule 16, of the High Court Rules;
- (a) to make inquiry into the means of a poor appellant to the Supreme Court in Cap. 34 accordance with the provisions of the Legal Aid Act.

(As amended by S.I. No. 63 of 1964)

SECTION 8-THE DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS OF ASSISTANT REGISTRARS AND DEPUTY ASSISTANT REGISTRARS DIRECTIONS

Directions by the Chief Justice

Government Notices 292 of 1960 9 of 1961 23 of 1961 497 of 1964

- **1.** These Directions may be cited as the Duties and Functions of Assistant Title Registrars and Deputy Assistant Registrars Directions.
 - 2. In these Directions, unless the context otherwise requires-

Interpretation

- (a) "civil cause" means any civil proceeding in whatever manner commenced and, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, includes a matrimonial cause and any bankruptcy or company matter;
- (b) any reference to any officer of the High Court by title means the person appointed to the office concerned under the provisions of the Act, and includes any person lawfully performing the functions of such office and, to the extent that any person is empowered to exercise part only of such functions, such person.
- **3.** The duties and functions of the Assistant Registrar at each registry of the High Court shall, in addition to any other duties and functions imposed by any written law or by any Judge, the Registrar, a Deputy Registrar or District Registrar of the High Court, be as follows:

Duties and functions of Assistant Registrars

A. With regard to civil causes generally.

- (i) To issue all writs and originating process.
- (ii) To verify all Court fees.
- (iii) To record the entry of appearance to writs and originating process.

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(iv)	To keep and maintain a Civil Causes Register (including an alphabetical
	index thereto) in which the following particulars shall be entered in their
	respective columns:

- (a) the cause number;
- (b) the names of the parties;
- (c) the particulars of the case;
- (a) the date of appearance (if any); and
- (e) subsequent proceedings and remarks.
- (v) To keep and maintain a Divorce Register (including an alphabetical index thereto) in which the following particulars shall be entered in their respective columns:
 - (a) the cause number;
 - (b) the date of presentation of petition;
 - (c) the names of the parties;
 - (a) the relief claimed and grounds;
 - (e) the date(s) of appearance(s);
 - (t) the date of the Registrar's certificate;
 - (g) the date of decree nisi;
 - (h) the date of decree absolute; and
 - (i) remarks.
- (vi) To issue all interlocutory proceedings (in the case of application to a Judge, after obtaining a hearing date from the Deputy Assistant Registrar).
- (vii) To file affidavits, accounts, notices and other documents relating to civil proceedings.
- (viii) To check papers lodged prior to setting down for trial, and to pass the two bundles of the pleadings to the Deputy Assistant Registrar to the Judge before whom the case will be m entioned.
- (ix) To seal all judgments, decrees and orders.
- (x) To keep and maintain a Civil Judgments Register of all judgments of the Court for a debt or liquidated demand in chronological order in which the following particulars shall be entered in their respective columns:

	(a)	the date of the judgment;				
	(b)	the cause number;				
	(c)	the names of the parties;				
	(a)	the particulars of the judgment;				
	(e)	the amount of the judgment;				
	<i>(t)</i>	the costs; and				
	(9)	remarks.				
(xi)	To accept b	ot bills of costs for taxation.				
(xii)	To issue writs of execution, judgment summonses and other process to enforce the judgments and orders of the Court.					
(xiii)	To have the	e custody of the Court Seal and all civil files.				
	B. With reg	gard to appeals in civil causes from inferior courts.				
(xiv)	In the case of a civil appeal from an inferior court, to check that the rules and any court orders relating to such appeal have been complied with; and thereafter to pass the appeal record to the Deputy Assistant Registrar.					
(xv)		nd maintain a Civil Appeals Register (including an alphabetical eto) in which the following particulars shall be entered in their columns:				
	(a)	the cause number;				
	(b)	the names of the appellant and respondent;				
	(c)	the court from which the appeal is brought;				
	(a)	the date lodged;				
	(e)	the date and result of the appeal; and				
	(1)	any subsequent proceedings and remarks.				
	C. With regard to appeals in civil causes to the Supreme Court of Zambia					
(xvi)	To perform the duties of the Registrar of the High Court in connection with the lodging of a civil appeal to the Supreme Court of Zambia and the certification of the appeal record thereof.					

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D. With regard to bankruptcy causes.

- (xvii) To receive and check all bankruptcy petitions, notices and other documents and to pass them to the Registrar in Bankruptcy for attention or signature.
- (xviii) To keep and maintain a Registrar of Bankruptcy Notices in which the following particulars shall be entered in their respective columns:
 - (a) number of notice;
 - (b) name of debtor;
 - (c) name of creditor;
 - (a) date when filed;
 - (e) name of legal practitioner; and
 - (f) result of notice.
- (xix) To keep and maintain a Registrar of Bankruptcy Petitions in which the following particulars shall be entered in their respective columns:
 - (a) number of petition;
 - (b) (i) name of debtor;
 - (ii) residence and description of debtor;
 - (c) date of filing petition;
 - (a) (i) name of petitioning creditor;
 - (ii) residence and description of petitioning creditor;
 - (e) name of legal practitioner;
 - (1) act of bankruptcy alleged;
 - (g) date of dismissal of petition;
 - (h) date of receiving order; and
 - (i) name of Registrar.
- (xx) To keep and maintain a Register of Receiving Orders in Bankruptcy in which the following particulars shall be entered in their respective columns:

(i) name of debtor; (ii) residence and description of debtor; (i) number of petition; (b) (ii) date of filing petition; (i) number of receiving order; (c) (ii) date of receiving order; (iii) date of discharge or recission of order; date of public examination; date of approval of composition or scheme; (i) date of adjudication order; (ii) date of annulment of adjudication order; (g) (i) name and address of trustee; (ii) date of appointment of trustee; (iii) date of release of trustee; (h) (i) date of hearing application for discharge of bankruptcy; (ii) date of order for discharge of bankrupt; (iii) nature of order for discharge of bankrupt; proceedings consolidated or transferred; (I) date of order for summary administration; (J) date of order for administration of deceased debtor' estate; and (k) (1) Registrar. E. With regard to maintenance orders and enforcement. (xxi) To register maintenance orders under the Affliation and Maintenance of Cap. 64 Children Act, and to perform the duties of the proper officer of the High Court under the Affiliation and Maintenance of Children Act.. (iixx) To keep and maintain a Registrar of Maintenance Orders registered under the Act (including an alphabetical index thereto) in which the following particulars shall be entered in their respective columns: the cause number; (a) the names of the parties; the address of the defendant in Zambia; (a) details of the order; (e) the name of the original Court;

name of person through whom payments are to made; and

(1)

(g)

(h)

the date of registration;

further action.

- (xxiii) To keep and maintain a Register of Orders registered under the Affiliation Cap. 64 and Maintenance of Children Act (including an alphabetical index thereto) in which the following particulars shall be entered in their respective columns:
 - (a) cause number;
 - complainant's name and address; (b)
 - (c) complainant's Advocates and address;
 - (a) defendant's name and address;
 - defendant's Advocates and address:
 - name of Court making order, and cause number assigned by that Court;
 - (g) date of order;
 - (h) date of registration;
 - (1) details of order;
 - date of any order for variation or discharge or notice of ()) cancellation;
 - nature of order or notice; (k)
 - date of receipt;
 - folio number of Court order on cause file. (n)
 - F. With regard to judgments of other courts.
- (xxiv) To register judgments under the Service of Process and Execution of Cap. 79 Judgments Act.
- (xxv) To keep and maintain a Register of Judgments registered under the Cap. 79 Service of Process and Execution of Judgments Act (including an alphabetical index thereto in the name of the judgment debtor) in which the following particulars shall be entered in their respective columns:
 - (a) the cause number;
 - (b) the date of registration;
 - (c) the names of the parties;
 - the name and address of the party against whom judgment is (a) given;
 - (e) the date of the judgment or decree;
 - the abstract of judgment, and amount and interest (if any);
 - (g) the costs;
 - (h) the name of the original court and reference; and
 - the particulars of any execution thereon. (i)

- G. With regard to the registration at the Principal Registry of foreign judgments and of miscellaneous deeds.
 - (xxvi) To register judgments under the Foreign Judgments (Reciprocal Cap. 76 Enforcement) Act.
 - (xxvii) To keep and maintain a Register of Judgments registered under the Cap. 76 Foreign Judgments (Reciprocal Enforcement) Act (including an alphabetical index thereto in the name of the judgment debtor), in which the following particulars shall be entered in their respective columns:
 - (a) the cause number;
 - (b) the date of the order for registration;
 - (c) the date of the registration;
 - (a) the name, title, trade or business and usual or last known place of abode or business of the judgment debtor and judgment creditor;
 - (e) the amount for which the judgment is signed;
 - (t) the name of the original court;
 - (g) any special directions as to registration and/or execution thereon; and
 - (h) particulars of any execution thereon.
 - (xxviii) To keep and maintain a Register or Arbitration Awards in which the following particulars shall be entered in their respective columns:
 - (a) number;
 - (b) names of parties;
 - (c) name of arbitrator;
 - (a) date of award;
 - (e) details of award;
 - (t) date of filing; and
 - (g) remarks.
 - (xxix) To keep and maintain a Register of Deeds of Arrangement (including an alphabetical index thereto in the name of the debtor) in which the following particulars shall be entered in their respective columns:

- (a) number of entry;
- (b) the date of the deed;
- (c) the name, address and description of the debtor, the place or places where his business was carried on at the date of the execution of the deed, the title of the firm or firms under which the debtor carried on business, and the name and address of the trustee (if any) under the deed;
- (a) a short statement of the nature and effect of the deed, and of the composition in the kwacha payable thereunder;
- (e) the date of registration; and
- (f) the amount of property and liabilities included under the deed, or estimated by the debtor.

(As amended by No. 9 of 1961)

4. In default of any appointment or in the absence of an Assistant Registrar at the Principal Registry or at any District Registry of the High Court-

Division of duties in absence of Assistant Registrar

- (a) the duties set out in sub-paragraph C (xvi) of paragraph 3 (relating to the lodging of civil appeals to the Supreme Court of Zambia) shall be performed by the Registrar, Deputy Registrar or District Registrar, as the case may be; and
- (b) all other duties set out in the said paragraph 3 shall be performed by the clerk for the time being in charge of the civil registry at such Principal or District Registry, as the case may be.

(As amended by No. 23 of 1961)

5. The duties and functions of a Deputy Assistant Registrar of the High Court shall, in addition to any other duties and functions imposed by any written law or by the Judge to whom he is attached or the Registrar of the High Court, be as follows:

Duties and functions of Deputy Assistant Registrars

A. With regard to criminal trials.

(i) To act as Clerk of Sessions and in particular to perform the duties imposed upon the Registrar of the High Court by sections *two hundred and forty-one, two hundred and forty-seven* and *two hundred and forty-eight* of the Criminal Procedure Code and to receive the documents referred to in sections *two hundred and forty-five* and *two hundred and forty-nine* of that Code.

Cap. 88

- (ii) To enter for trial all criminal causes.
- (iii) To keep and maintain a Criminal Trials Register (including an index thereto) in which the following particulars shall be entered in their respective columns:

- (a) the number of the trial;
- (b) the name of the prosecutor;
- (c) the name of the defendant;
- (a) the name of the committing magistrate, designation of his court and the date of committal;
- (e) particulars of the crime or offence charged;
- (f) particulars of the crime or offence for which the information is filed;
- (g) the date of hearing;
- (h) the judgment of the court;
- (i) the sentence; and
- (j) remarks including the place of trial and name of trial Judge, date of notice of any appeal to the Supreme Court of Zambia and the result of any such appeal.
- (iv) To prepare Cause Lists and issue Notices of Trial.
- To prepare Warrants of Commitment and other prescribed forms relating to criminal trials.
- (vi) To take custody of exhibits and to dispose thereof after completion of the Cap. 25 trial, subject to the provisions of rules 33 and 45 of the Supreme Court Rules.
- (vii) To keep and maintain the Criminal Causes Exhibits Register which shall contain the following particulars:
 - (a) the number of the cause;
 - (b) the title of the cause;
 - (c) particulars of the exhibits received showing against each the number or letter allocated in the subordinate court;
 - (a) the number or letter allocated to each exhibit in the High Court; and
 - (e) particulars of the ultimate disposal of each exhibit.
- (viii) To supervise payment of counsel under the Legal Aid Act.

Cap. 34

- (ix) To file all documents connected with the trial and at the end of each calendar year to place the files of cases disposed of in the Court Record Room.
 - B. With regard to criminal appeals from subordinate courts.

- (x) To enter criminal appeals for hearing.
- (xi) To keep and maintain the Criminal Appeals Register (including an alphabetical index thereto) in which the following particulars shall be entered in their respective columns:
 - (a) the number of the appeal;
 - (b) the name of the appellant;
 - (c) the name of the respondent;
 - (a) the name of the magistrate and designation of the court below from which the appeal is made and the date of conviction therein;
 - (e) particulars of the offence for which conviction was recorded in the court below;
 - (f) the subject-matter of the appeal (i.e., against conviction or sentence or both);
 - (g) date of hearing the appeal;
 - (h) the judgment of the court; and
 - (i) remarks, including the place of appeal and the name or names of the Judge or Judges who heard the appeal, the date of notice of any further appeal to the Supreme Court of Zambia and the result of any such further appeal.
- (xii) To receive the documents referred to in section three hundred and Cap. 88 twenty-three of the Criminal Procedure Code.
- (xiii) To prepare hearing notices and forward documents as required by section Cap. 88 three hundred and twenty-six of the Criminal Procedure Code.
- (xiv) To prepare certificates of the results of appeals.
- (xv) To take custody of exhibits and to dispose thereof after completion of the appeal, subject to the provisions of rules 33 and 45 of the Supreme Court Rules.
- (xvi) To maintain the Criminal Causes Exhibits Register in the form prescribed in sub-paragraph (vii).
- (xvii) To supervise payment of counsel under the Legal Aid Act.
- (xviii) To file all documents connected with the appeal and at the end of each calendar year to place the files of appeals disposed of in the Court Record Room.
 - C. With regard to the revision of subordinate court criminal proceedings.

Cap. 34

- (xix) To keep and maintain the Criminal Returns Register which shall contain the following particulars:
 - (a) the name of each subordinate court from which returns are to be made:
 - (b) the date of receipt by the Deputy Assistant Registrar of each monthly return.
- (xx) To call for all outstanding criminal returns from subordinate courts on the fifteenth day of each calendar month.
- (xxi) To keep and maintain the Criminal Revision Register (including an alphabetical index thereto) in which the following particulars shall be entered in their respective columns:
 - (a) serial number of the revision;
 - (b) subordinate court case number;
 - (c designation of the subordinate court;
 - (a) name of magistrate and date of conviction by him;
 - (e) name of the accused;
 - (t) particulars of the charge;
 - (g) sentence of the subordinate court;
 - (h) result of the revision; and
 - (i) remarks.
- (xxii) To call for criminal case records from subordinate courts as directed by the Judge to whom he is attached.
- (xxiii) To prepare certificate of decision or order on revision.
- (xxiv) To return original subordinate court records on disposal of the revision and to file remaining documents relating thereto.
- (xxv) At the end of each calendar year to place the files of all revision cases disposed of in the Court Record Room.
 - D. With regard to appeals in criminal causes to the Supreme Court
- (xxvi) To receive notices of intention to appeal and applications for leave to Cap. 25 appeal, subject to the provisions of section *eighteen* of the Supreme Court of Zambia Act.

- (xxvii) To set down notices of motion for leave to appeal for hearing by a Judge.
- (xxviii) To prepare and submit the record in accordance with rule 31 of the Supreme Court Rules.
- (xxix) To submit copies of a case stated in accordance with section *twenty* of the Cap. 25 Supreme Court of Zambia Act.
- (xxx) To receive copies of the judgments of the Supreme Court and file them in the appropriate High Court trial or appeal record docket.
- (xxxi) On dismissal of an appeal where a capital sentence has been pronounced, to forward requisite documents to the Capital Sentences Review Committee, and the Judge's Report to the President.

E. With regard to civil causes.

- (xxxii) Five days before Motions Day to prepare a Cause List, post it on the notice-boards and distribute to practitioners concerned. As to interlocutory proceedings held on other days, to prepare and issue notices of hearing immediately the date of hearing has been fixed.
- (xxxiii) To check all interlocutory orders before submission to the Judge.
- (xxxiv) Not less than three days before the date of trial to pass the Judge's bundle of pleadings (Order XXXI, rule 4, of the High Court Rules) to the trial Judge.
- (xxxv) During the course of the trial to administer oaths, to record the times of commencement and ending of the hearing on each day and to maintain the Civil Causes Exhibits Register (including an alphabetical index thereto) in which the following particulars shall be entered in their respective columns:
 - (a) cause number;
 - (b) title of cause;
 - (c) description of exhibit;
 - (a) exhibit number;
 - (e) name of party by whom produced;
 - (t) name of witness proving the exhibit;
 - (g) date of handing exhibit to the Assistant Registrar; and
 - (h) signature of Assistant Registrar.
- (xxxvi) After judgment to hand all exhibits to the Assistant Registrar and obtain his receipt therefor in the Civil Causes Exhibits Register.

(xxxvii)Where the Judge gives judgment *ex tempore* to make a note of the judgment. Where a judgment is written before delivery to examine and certify a copy thereof.

(xxxviii)After judgment to draw up and issue a Certificate after Trial containing the following particulars:

- (a) title of cause;
- (b) name of trial Judge;
- (c) date of hearing;
- (a) time occupied by the hearing on each day;
- (e) date of judgment and time occupied in delivering judgment;
- (t) (i) particulars of judgment; or
 - (ii) reference to certified copy of written judgment.
- (xxxix) To issue the original Certificate after Trial to the successful party, copies to other parties and a copy to the Assistant Registrar.

F. General.

- (xl) To maintain the Judge's Court Diary.
- (xli) To act as Marshal when on circuit.
 - G. Additional duties of Deputy Assistant Registrar to the Chief Justice.
- (xlii) To receive and file statistical returns from subordinate courts and the High Court Registries.
- (xliii) To call for all outstanding monthly statistical returns on the fifteenth day of each calendar month.
- (xliv) To collate statistical returns and draft consolidated returns for the annual Departmental Reports.
- (xlv) To keep the Rolls of Legal Practitioners, Notaries Public and persons Cap. 30 admitted under section thirty-eight of the Legal Practitioners Act.
- (xlvi) To maintain the file in duplicate of judgments of the Court in appeals from Local Courts and to supply one copy of the file to Judges on circuit as required.

SECTION 19 (3)-CLERKS OF SESSIONS

Government Notice 296 of 1960

Appointments by the Chief Justice

- When a Judge of the High Court has been named as the Judge who will hold any particular Session of the High Court, the Deputy Assistant Registrar to such Judge shall be Clerk of Sessions in respect of that Session.
- In default of an appointment under paragraph 1 in respect of any particular Session, the senior of the Deputy Assistant Registrars at Lusaka or Ndola, as the case may be, shall be the Clerk of Sessions in respect thereof until an appointment under paragraph 1 takes effect.

SECTION 31-THE WITNESSES AND ASSESSORS ALLOWANCES RULES

Rules by the Chief Justice with the concurrence of the Minister responsible for Finance

Government Notice 179 of 1964 Statutory Instrument 63 *ot* 1964 120 of 1980 208 of 1986 177 of 1990

- 1. These Rules may be cited as the Witnesses and Assessors Allowances Rules. Title
- 2. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires-

Interpretation

- "Judge" means the judge presiding at the proceedings in question;
- "witness" includes an interpreter who attends and interprets at any civil proceedings other than an interpreter employed by Government.
- 3. Witnesses and assessors who have duly attended at or for the proceedings at Persons entitled the instance of either or any party or the Court shall be entitled to allowances and expenses, unless the Judge or the Taxing Master shall for sufficient reason disallow the allowances or expenses of any such witness or assessor.

4. (1) The allowances for witnesses and assessors shall be as follows:

Amounts

		Minimum	Maximum
		sum	sum
		payable	payable
Class of persons		per day	per day
		K	K
Professional persons, owners directors or managers of			
businesses and expert witnesses	 	250	500
Clerks, artisans and persons of			
similar status	 	150	350

Provided that the sum payable shall not, unless otherwise ordered by the Judge or Taxing Master exceed the sum of K75 per day if the witness has lost no wages or earnings or other income in attending the proceedings or the period during which he has been away from home or in respect of which he has lost wages, earnings or other income by reason of his attendance does not exceed four hours.

Others 120 250.

(As amended by S.I. No. 120 of 1980, No. 208 of 1986 and S.I. No. 177 of 1990)

- (2) The above-mentioned allowances will be paid during the time for which a witness or assessor is necessarily detained and for the time reasonably occupied in travelling.
- (3) No additional allowance will be paid merely because the witness or assessor attends in respect of more than one case on the same day.
- (4) If in the opinion of the Judge or Taxing Master to whom a claim has been submitted in terms of rule 4 (1) or 5-
 - (a) a strict adherence to the above scales in any particular case would result in hardship, he may at his discretion increase the amounts payable; or
 - (b) a reduction in any of the allowances provided for by this rule is justified in any particular case, he may at his discretion reduce or disallow the amounts payable.
- **5.** (1) In addition to any sum to which a witness or assessor may be entitled under the last preceding rule, all witnesses and assessors provided for in rule 3 shall also be entitled to be reimbursed in respect of any expenses actually and reasonably incurred in travelling to and from the Court, and for necessary accommodation and subsistence.

Travelling expenses

(2) If in the opinion of the Judge or Taxing Master to whom a claim has been submitted for the reimbursement of expenses, the sums expended and claimed exceed what is reasonable, he may in his discretion reduce or disallow the amounts payable.

- (3) If any witness or assessor travels by his own motor vehicle or motor cycle he may claim travelling expenses at the rate of forty ngwee per kilometre and twenty ngwee per kilometre respectively.
- **6.** In the event of costs or witnesses' fees being allowed against any party other than the Government, any allowances payable under these Rules may, at the discretion of the Judge or Taxing Officer, be allowable in respect of public officers on production of a certificate signed by or upon the authority of the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance, setting out the cost incurred and the apportioned part of the public officer's salary in respect of time necessarily absent from duty in respect of attendance at or travelling to or from Court or any reasonable or necessary waiting time in connection with the proceedings.

Witnesses who are public officers

(As amended by S.I. No. 63 of 164, No. 120 of 1980, No. 208 of 1986)

SECTION 41-THE HIGH COURT (DISTRICT REGISTRARS) RULES

Government Notice 294 of 1960

Rules by the Chief Justice

1. These Rules may be cited as the High Court (District Registrars) Rules.

Title

2. A District Registrar shall perform all the functions of the Registrar with respect to any cause or matter (including any cause or matter relating to bankruptcy or to the winding-up of a company) which is proceeding in the District Registry to which he has been appointed, other than functions relating to probate or the registration of foreign judgments.

Functions of District Registrars

SECTIONS 44 AND 45-THE HIGH COURT (INCOME TAX APPEALS) RULES

Statutory Instrument 203 of 1968

Rules by the High Court Rules Committee

1. These Rules may be cited as the High Court (Income Tax Appeals) Rules.

Title

2. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires-

Interpretation

"the Act" means the Income Tax Act;

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"Board" means the Tax Review Board;

"Clerk" means the clerk to the Board upon whom a memorandum of appeal has Cap. 323 been served for the purposes of the Tax Review Board Regulations.

3. (1) Any party to an appeal to the Board under the provisions of section *one* hundred and nine of the Act desiring to appeal to the High Court shall within thirty days of the date of issue of the order containing the decision of the Board give notice of appeal as hereinafter provided.

Notice of appeal

- (2) The notice of appeal shall be intituled in the proceedings from which it is intended to appeal and shall be filed in triplicate with the Registrar of the High Court, who shall after sealing each copy, forward one copy of the notice of appeal to the Clerk, and return the second copy of the notice of appeal to the appellant or his legal practitioner for service in accordance with the provisions of these Rules.
- (3) Subject to the provisions of section one hundred and eleven of the Act, an appellant may appeal from the whole or any part of the decision of the Board. The notice of appeal shall be substantially in Form 1 of the Schedule and shall set forth concisely and under distinct heads, without argument or narrative, the grounds of appeal which shall be numbered consecutively.
- (4) The notice of appeal shall contain the name and address for service of the Clerk and the address for service of the respondent or his legal practitioner.
- (5) The notice of appeal shall within fourteen days of the filing thereof be served by the appellant on the respondent or his legal practitioner.
- **4.** (1) The record of appeal shall be prepared by the Clerk and shall be bound in book form with an outside cover of stout paper and may, if long, be in more than one volume. The title of the appeal shall appear on the outside cover. A record of appeal shall be paged consecutively throughout and every fifth line shall be indicated by numbering in the unbound portion of the margin.

Preparation of record

- (2) The Clerk shall within thirty days after receiving the notice of appeal forwarded to him in accordance with the provisions of rule 3 prepare and forward the record together with one copy thereof to the Registrar of the High Court and shall also at the same time forward one copy of the record each to the appellant and to the respondent.
 - 5. The record of appeal shall be certified as correct by the Clerk and shall contain-

Contents of record of appeal

- (a) a complete index;
- (b) the notice of appeal to the High Court;
- (c) the notice of cross-appeal (if any);

- (a) the memorandum of appeal and its accompanying documents, statement of facts, assessment and other notices served upon the Clerk in accordance with the provisions of rule 10 of the Tax Review Board Regulations;
- (e) the minutes of the proceedings before the Board;
- (1) any statement of facts agreed by the parties for the purpose of an appeal to the Board;
- (g) all documents admitted as evidence or tendered as evidence and rejected, other than documents already included in paragraph (a);
- (h) the order setting forth the decision of the Board.
- **6.** Such fees shall be payable in respect of the appeal as shall be prescribed.

Prescribe fees

7. On any appeal to the High Court the appellant shall not without the leave of the High Court put forward any ground of appeal other than those set out in the notice of appeal but the High Court in deciding an appeal shall not be confined to the grounds put forward by the appellant:

Restriction on grounds of appeal

Provided that the High Court shall not allow an appeal on any ground not stated in the notice of appeal unless the respondent has had an opportunity of contesting the appeal on that ground.

8. (1) An appellant may at any time withdraw an appeal by filing with the Registrar of the High Court and the Clerk a notice to the effect that he does not intend further to prosecute the appeal.

Withdrawal of appeal

- (2) Where a notice is filed in accordance with the provisions of sub-rule (1), the appeal shall be deemed to have been dismissed without further order by the High Court but, failing agreement between the parties, the appeal shall remain on the list for the purpose of hearing any issue as to costs or other matters outstanding between the parties.
- (3) The preparation of the record shall not be affected by the withdrawal of the appeal where a notice of cross-appeal has been filed unless the respondent also withdraws his cross-appeal.
- **9.** A Judge of the High Court may at any time upon application order security or further security for costs to be given and may order security to be given for the payment of past costs relating to the matters in question in the appeal and may make compliance with any such order a condition precedent to the entertainment of any appeal.

Security for costs

10. Where a respondent to an appeal intends, upon the hearing of the appeal, to contend that the judgment of the Board should be varied, he shall within fourteen days of the service upon him of the notice of appeal give notice of cross-appeal and the provisions of rule 3 so far as applicable shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the notice of cross-appeal as if it were a notice of appeal.

Cross-appeal

11. A Judge of the High Court may for sufficient reason extend the time for doing anything under these Rules.

Extension of time

12. The Registrar of the High Court shall cause notice of the date, time and place of the hearing of an appeal to be served upon the appellant and respondent or their legal practitioners.

Notice of hearing

13. When at the time set down for hearing an appeal, there is no appearance for the appellant, the High Court may strike out the appeal or may proceed to determine it after hearing the respondent or his legal practitioner present at the appeal, or may adjourn it on such terms as it thinks fit. Where there is no appearance for the respondent, the High Court may either hear the appeal or adjourn it upon such terms as it thinks fit.

Non-appearance

SCHEDULE

(Rule 3)

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR ZAMBIA

BETWEEN:		
and		Appellant
IN THE MATTER OF:		Respondent
NOTICE OF APP	PEAL	
Take notice that (name of appellant)		
being dissatisfied with the judgment of the Tax Review Board given	at	
on theappeals to the F part or parts of the said judgment as decides	ligh Court against the whole judgm	nent or against such
that	(set out) upon th	e following grounds:
(1)		
(2)		
etc.		
The Respondent's address for service is		
The name of the Clerk is		and his address for
service is		
Dated at	this day of	19
		his legal practitioner)
	Address for service	
To the Registrar of the High Court		
Filed at	this day of	19
	Registrar of th	
	negisilai oi ii	ie riigir Court
SECTIONS 44 AND 45-THE HIGH COURT	(APPEALS)	Statutory Instrument
(GENERAL) RULES		6 <i>ol</i> 1984
Regulations by the Chief Justic	æ	
These Rules may be cited as the High Court (App	eals) (General) Rules	Title
Those Rules may be ched as the riight count (ripp	odio, (Conordi) i dioo.	
2. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requi	res-	Interpretation
"Registrar" means the Registrar of the High Court;		
Registral Thearis the Registral of the High Court,		
"tribunal" means any board, authority (whether cons		
tribunal or other body (including a Minister) written law to determine matters of judicial or		
the decision of which an appeal lies to the Hig		

3. (1) shall, within t notice of app	Notice of appeal	
(2) The	notice of appeal shall-	
(a)	be in form H.C. (A) (G) 1 set out in the Schedule hereto;	
(b)	be intituled in the proceedings from which it is intended to appeal;	
(c)	set out the name and address for service of the tribunal and of the respondent, if any, or of the legal representative of such respondent; and	
(a)	set forth concisely and under distinct heads, without argument or narrative, the grounds of appeal, which shall be numbered consecutively.	
Registrar who	or copies of the duly completed notice of appeal shall be filed with the shall, after sealing each copy, forward one such copy to the tribunal and ch copies to the appellant or his legal representative.	
	ere is a respondent to the appeal, the appellant shall serve one sealed copy of appeal on such respondent, or his legal representative, within twenty-one ing thereof.	
	the time of filing the notice of appeal, the appellant shall pay to the Registrar respect thereof as the Chief Justice may from time to time determine.	Fees
	The appellant shall prepare the record of appeal which shall be bound in the an outer cover of stout paper and may, if extensive, be in more than one	Record of appeal
documents w	e tribunal shall make available to the appellant copies of all relevant thich are necessary for the purpose of preparing the record of appeal and the exclusive possession of the tribunal.	
page shall be	record of appeal shall bear the title of the appeal on the outer cover, each e consecutively numbered throughout and every fifth line of each page shall in the unbound portion of the margin.	

(4) The record of appeal shall contain-

(a)	a list of its contents;	
(b)	the notice of appeal;	
(c)	the notice of cross appeal (if any);	
(a)	any affidavits filed before the tribunal;	
(e)	the record of proceedings before the tribunal;	
	all documents tendered in evidence before the tribunal, whether admitted in evidence or not;	
(g)	the order setting forth the decision of the tribunal; and	
(<i>h</i>)	any other affidavits, exhibits, documents or other relevant material.	
of copies there	appellant shall forward to the tribunal the record of appeal, and such number eof as the Registrar may determine, and the tribunal shall, if satisfied in that as correct the record of appeal and each copy thereof forwarded to it.	
(6) The a in sub-rule (5).	appellant shall, within thirty days of receiving the certified copies referred to , forward-	
	to the registrar the record of appeal and such number of copies thereof as the Registrar may determine; and	
(b)	one copy thereof to the respondent, if any.	
	he appellant may, in the notice of appeal, appeal from the whole or any part of the tribunal.	Grounds of appeal
	out the leave of the High Court, the appellant shall not, during the hearing of vance any ground of appeal other than those set out in the notice of appeal.	
(3) In de advanced by t	eciding the appeal, the High Court shall not be confined to the grounds he appellant:	

Provided that the High Court shall not allow an appeal on any ground not set out in the notice of appeal unless the tribunal and the respondent, if any, had had an opportunity of contesting the appeal on that ground.

- 7. (1) The appellant may withdraw the appeal at any time by filing with the Registrar Withdrawal of appeal a notice of withdrawal in form H.C. (A) (G) 2 set out in the Schedule.
- (2) The appellant shall serve a sealed copy of the notice of withdrawal on the tribunal and on the respondent, if any, within fourteen days of such sealing.
- (3) Where a notice of withdrawal is filed in accordance with sub-rule (1), the appeal shall be deemed to have been dismissed without further order by the High Court but, failing agreement between the parties, the appeal shall remain on the list for the purpose of hearing any issue as to costs or other matters outstanding between the parties.
- A Judge of the High Court may at any time upon application order security or further security for costs to be given and may order security to be given for the payment of past costs relating to the matters in question in the appeal and may make compliance with any such order a condition precedent to the continuation of any appeal.

Security for costs

Where a respondent to an appeal intends, upon the hearing of the appeal, to contend that the decision of the tribunal should be varied, he shall within twenty-one days of the service upon him of the notice of appeal give notice of cross-appeal and the provisions of rule 3 shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to the notice of cross-appeal.

Cross-appeal

A Judge of the High Court may, for sufficient reason shown in form H.C. (A) Extension of time (G) 3, extend the time for doing anything under these Rules.

The Registrar shall cause notice of the date, time and place of the hearing of an appeal to be served upon the tribunal, the appellant and the respondent, if any, or on their legal representatives.

Notice of hearing

12. If at the time set down for the hearing of an appeal-

Non-appearance

- (a) there is no appearance for the appellant, the High Court may strike out the appeal or may proceed to determine it after hearing the respondent or his legal representative present at the hearing, or may adjourn the hearing on such terms as it thinks fit;
- there is no appearance for the respondent, the High Court may either hear (b) the appeal or adjourn it upon such terms as it thinks fit.
- The High Court may, at the request of any party, summon any person to attend, produce documents or be examined or cross-examined, in the matter to which the appeal relates.

Attendance of witnesses

14. (1) If in the opinion of the High Court a notice of appeal discloses only grounds of appeal which are frivolous or vexatious, the High Court may dismiss the appeal summarily without calling on any person to attend the hearing of such appeal.

Frivolous or vexatious appeals

- (2) The Registrar shall send a copy of an order made under subsection (1) to the tribunal, the appellant and the respondent, if any, or to their legal representatives.
- **15.** Except as specifically provided in these Rules, the High Court Rules shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to an appeal under these Rules.

Application of High Court Rules

SCHEDULE

(Rules 3(2), 7(1) and 10)

FORMS

REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR ZAMBIA

BETWEEN:	Appellant
and IN THE MATTER OF: Appeal from the judgment or decision ofdelivered on	Respondent
NOTICE OF APPEAL	-
Take notice that	being dissatisfied with the judgment or decision given at
on the	ainst such part or parts thereof as decides that upon the following grounds:
etc The Respondent's address for service is	
The name of the tribunal isfor service is	
Dated at this	, 19
	Appellant (or his legal representative) Address for service
To the Registrar of the High Court	
Filed at this	, 19
	Registrar of the High Court

REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR ZAMBIA

BETWEEN:	Appellant
and	Deanandant
IN THE MATTER OF:	Respondent
Appeal from the judgement or decision ofdelivered on	
NOTICE OF WITHDR	RAWAL
Take notice thathereby withdraws his appeal in the matter hereinbefore set out.	(name of Appellant)
Dated atthis	, 19,
	Appellant (or his legal representative)
	Address for service
To the Registrar of the High Court	
Filed atthis .	, 19,
	Registrar of the High Court

REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA

IN THE HIGH COURT OF ZAMBIA

Between:			Appellant
	and		Respondent
IN THE MATTER OF:			rrespondent
Appeal from the judgment or decision ofdelivered on			
NOTICE OF APPLICA	ATION FOR EXTE	NSION OF TIME	
Take notice that			
respondent) in the appeal hereinbefore set out hereby a			
(1) Reasons for being out of time:			
(2) Grounds for an extension:			
Dated at	this	·	•
		Appellant (or his legal repre	
	Ad	dress for service	
To the Registrar of the High Court			
Filed at	this	day of	
		Registrar of the High C	

Endnotes

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30th March, 1972.

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See section 8 of the Evidence Act (Cap. 43.)

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Mention the city or town and also the name of the street and number of the house of the plaintiff's residence, if any.

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State relief sought.

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Specify statute, if any.

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Copy original writ and the endorsements.

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If the person served with the writ is served in the two capacities of manager and partner, the clause should be left standing. If he is served as manager only it should be struck out.

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Insert date and place of service, person served and capacity.

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Set out reasons with particulars and dates.

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Title as in attachment of earnings order.

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State name or names.

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