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PRACTICE DIRECTION

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

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

The objectives of this Practice Direction are to:

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

Accordingly, the following measures shall take effect:

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

PRACTICE DIRECTION—CONTINUED

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

5. Persons may pay Public Health Fixed Penalties and fines from any internet-enabled device via the Judiciary's eservices at <https://courtpay.ttlawcourts.org/> utilising a CourtPay Fines and Fees voucher available at NLCB Lotto booths and Credit or VISA Debit card. This payment facility is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
6. The deadline for making payments to pay Public Health Fixed Penalties and fines is extended to November 30, 2023.
7. The deadline for persons to pay all fines due and owing at September 30, 2023 is extended to November 30, 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, this shall include all fines due and owing from March 16, 2020 to September 30, 2023 inclusive.
8. The deadline for persons to pay all Public Health Fixed Penalties issued on or before September 30, 2023 is extended to November 30, 2023.
9. Persons are advised that dates of all adjourned matters relative to unpaid fines for Public Health Fixed Penalty Notices issued between September 5, 2020 and September 30, 2023, will be published on the Judiciary website and in the Gazette and a national newspaper by November 15, 2023.
10. The hearings for unpaid fines for Public Health Fixed Penalty Notices issued on or after November 1, 2023, shall be the date as stated on the Fixed Penalty Notice.
11. The deadline for persons to pay all **court ordered compensation payments, NOT INCLUDING MAINTENANCE**, due and owing at December 31, 2023 is extended to January 31, 2024. For the avoidance of doubt, this shall include all compensation payments due and owing from March 16, 2020 to December 31, 2023 inclusive.

PRACTICE DIRECTION—CONTINUED

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

12. The deadline for persons to pay all traffic tickets issued on or before May 26, 2020 is extended to November 30, 2023.

Dated this 1st day of September, 2023

/s/ I. ARCHIE
Chief Justice