

Local Court Act
PRACTICE DIRECTION

RETURN OF EXHIBITS

This practice direction is made pursuant to section 21 of the *Local Court Act* and shall apply from 8 August 2005.

BACKGROUND

The return of property and documents tendered at a hearing has in the past been dealt on an ad hoc basis the following procedure is to assist the more orderly return of those exhibits.

PROCEDURE

1. Where documents or property are produced and /or tendered by a party or a solicitor for a party then the Court shall return those documents or property to the solicitor or the party themselves if unrepresented
2. Where the documents or property are produced under summons to the court by a person not a party to the action, whether or not they are tendered, then those documents or property shall be returned to that person at the cost of the party who summonsed them.
3. Exhibits shall not be returned until the appeal period has passed and all appeal proceedings have been resolved.

HUGH BRADLEY

CHIEF MAGISTRATE

4 August 2005