

*COURT OF SUMMARY JURISDICTION*  
PRACTICE DIRECTION

**VIDEO-LINK MENTIONS BETWEEN NICHOLS PLACE AND DARWIN  
CORRECTIONAL CENTRE**

The following practice direction is issued pursuant to section 201A Justice Act to apply from 1 October 2008.

**INTRODUCTION**

The purpose of this Practice Direction is to facilitate improved management of simple mentions of cases when the Defendant is in custody and does not wish to personally attend Court.

**PRACTICE DIRECTION**

1. Each Thursday afternoon at 2.15pm, Nichols Place, Court and corrections video-link facilities will be available to deal with simple mentions of Court of Summary Jurisdiction matters where Defendants are in custody and do not wish to attend Court personally.
2. The matters that will be dealt with through this video-link are limited to simple mentions such as "back up" charges and other straight forward consent matters. The link will not be used for Contest Mentions, contested bail applications and pleas.
3. The video-link list will take place either in Court 1 or in other Courts depending on availability. In some instances the Criminal Registrar may hear the mentions.
4. The video-link will be available for legal practitioners to speak to their clients prior to mentioning the matter in open Court from 2.00pm. If you wish to use the video-link, contact the Listing Registrar on 8999 7115 or [ListingsRegistrar@nt.gov.au](mailto:ListingsRegistrar@nt.gov.au) by C.O.B. Wednesday prior to the date.
5. The first Thursday video-link list will be on 2 October 2008

**JENNY BLOKLAND**  
**CHIEF MAGISTRATE**

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