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Dear Subscriber:

We are pleased to enclose update 3/26, current to September 30, 2026. Kindly review the pages and then insert the updated pages as set out on the Instruction Sheet. In addition to various housekeeping amendments, Highlights are set out below.

Highlights

- **Interlocutory Applications** [section 1:8] - Updates have been made to this section regarding documents and deadlines for serving and filing chambers documents, further to Order in Council No. 264 dated June 26, 2026, and effective October 1, 2026.
- **Commencement of Originating Application** [section 1:17] - Updates have been made to this section regarding deadlines for filing the Petition Record and the change of the name to the Notice of Hearing (now Notice of Hearing of Petition), further to Order in Council No. 264 dated June 26, 2026, and effective October 1, 2026.
- **Case Citations** [sections 2:11 and 2:12] - Revisions have been made to take into account the most recent publication of the *McGill Guide* and the Practice Directive (Civil and Criminal) of The Honourable Chief Justice Marchand, dated August 24, 2026 and effective September 8, 2026.
- **Petition to the Court** [section 2:17], **Response to Petition** [section 2:68] and **Notice of Hearing of Petition** [section 2:69] - Revisions have been made to the explanation pages and Form 68 Notice of Hearing of Petition, further to Order in Council No. 264 dated June 26, 2026, and effective October 1, 2026.
- **Requisition – General** [section 2:18] - Revisions have been made to Form 17 and the explanation page, further to Order in Council No. 264 dated June 26, 2026, and effective October 1, 2026.
- [NEW] **Notice of Hearing of Application** [section 2:67.50] - The new document and explanation pages have been added pursuant Order in Council No. 264 dated June 26, 2026, and effective October 1, 2026.
- **Notice of Application** [section 2:65] - Revisions have been made to Form 32 and the explanation pages, further to Order in Council No. 264 dated June 26, 2026, and effective October 1, 2026.
- **Application Response** [section 2:67] - Revisions have been made to Form 33 and the explanation pages, further to Order in Council No. 264 dated June 26, 2026, and effective October 1, 2026.
- **Hearing Record** [section 2:82] - Information has been added to take into account Order in Council No. 264 dated June 26, 2026, and effective October 1, 2026.
- **Vexatious Litigants** [Appendix 2O] - Revisions have been made to the explanation page and Form 117.1 Requisition – Leave (Vexatious Litigant), further to Order in Council No. 264 dated June 26, 2026, and effective October 1, 2026.
- **Arranging a Chambers Hearing (including Flow of Documents Chart)** [sections 3:6 and 3:7] - These sections have been updated to incorporate information in Order in Council No. 264 dated June 26, 2026, and effective October 1, 2026.
- **Arranging a Lengthy Chambers Hearing** [section 3:8] - This section has been updated with the Further Update Notice regarding Online Booking for Civil and Family Matters dated June 23, 2026, and effective July 1, 2026. Note that this Notice and the reference procedure replace the Chambers Assize in Vancouver.
- [NEW] **Chambers Practice** [section 3:19] and various other pages - Information has been added to take into account new Practice Direction 75 - Chambers Practice, effective July 6, 2026, and which clarifies expectations regarding chambers practice, including compliance with the Rules and the consequences which may follow if those requirements are not met.
- **Calculation of Interest and Interest Rate Table and example** [section 5:1] - The updated interest rates are set out. Please note that these rates are effective to December 31, 2026.
- **Court Registry Fees – Quick Reference Table** [section 5:10] - Updates have been made to account for the new Notice of Hearing of Application, further to Order in Council No. 264, dated June 26, 2026, and effective October 1, 2026.
- **Fees Payable to the Crown** [section 5:11] - Item 5 of Appendix C, Schedule 1 has been amended further to Order in Council No. 264, dated June 26, 2026, and effective October 1, 2026.
- **Fee Calculations** [section 5:14] - Item 5 of Appendix C, Schedule 4 has been amended further to Order in Council No. 264, dated June 26, 2026, and effective October 1, 2026.
- **Authorizations for Release of Information** [section 5:16] - Updates have been made to the link and information regarding income tax returns from Canada Revenue Agency.