



**Children's Court
Victoria**

**CHILDREN'S COURT OF VICTORIA
PRACTICE DIRECTION**

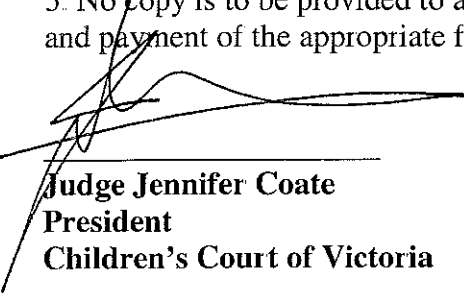
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**AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE COPIES OF RECORDINGS OF
PROCEEDINGS**

This practice direction is issued pursuant to Section 280D of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*.

Purpose: To clarify who may apply for a copy of any tape of any Children's Court proceeding and set out the requirement for judicial authorisation for the provision of such tapes.

1. Any party to a Children's Court proceeding may apply for a copy of any audio tapes of the proceeding.
2. Upon such an application being filed with the Registrar, the application must be referred to the presiding Magistrate or Judge for the Magistrate or Judge to determine the application and the terms, if any, of the authorisation of copies of the recording to be made and provided to the applicant.
3. If the Magistrate or Judge authorises the provision of a copy of the recording he/she will sign and date the authority contained in the application form below.
4. In the event that the presiding Magistrate or Judge is not available, the application must be referred to the President.
5. No copy is to be provided to an applicant without signed authority by a Magistrate or Judge and payment of the appropriate fee.


**Judge Jennifer Coate
President
Children's Court of Victoria**

15 March 2006

REQUEST FOR COPIES OF TAPES

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PH. **FAX.**

HEARING DATE(S): _____ COURT No _____
CASE NAME: _____
HEARD BY: _____
NOMINATE THE DATES YOU WANT COPIED: _____ TOTAL: _____ DAYS

HAND IN THIS FORM WITH YOUR PAYMENT TO THE REGISTRY COUNTER.
NOTE: COPIES OF TAPES WILL NOT BE MADE UNLESS PAYMENT HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND THE PRESIDING MAGISTRATE/PRESIDENT HAS AUTHORISED COPIES TO BE MADE.

PERSON/ PARTY ORDERING COPIES: _____
CONTACT PHONE No. _____
ORGANISATION: _____ NAME OF LEGAL REP. _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY/ SUBURB: _____ POST CODE: _____
Signature: _____ Date ____/____/____
On behalf of DOHS/ child / father / mother / child/grandparent/ (other party please state)

I (PRESIDENT / MAGISTRATE) authorize copies of the above tapes to be provided to dated Signed

Recording Operator Use:
Completion of Copying of Tapes Date : ____/____/____
Copy of Logs provided: Date: ____/____/____

COPYING FEES

Number of days of proceedings to be copied: _____ @ * \$55 = \$ _____ *Inc GST
Receipt No. _____ issued.

IF YOU WANT THE TAPES TRANSCRIBED, YOU SHOULD CONTACT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING SUPPLIERS:

Auscript	9672 5608
Court Recording Services Pty Ltd	9329 0295
Independent Reporting Service (Aust) Pty. Ltd	9642 0946
Legal Transcripts	9642 0322
Spark & Cannon Pty Ltd.	9670 6989
Transcript Australia Pty.Ltd	9642 0104

WARNING

Section 26 of the Children & Young Persons Act 1989, amongst other things, provides that a person must not publish or caused to be published, except with the permission of the President of the Children's Court of Victoria, a report of a proceeding in the court that contains any particulars likely to lead to the identification of the particular venue of the Children's Court in which the proceeding was heard or a child or other party to the proceeding or a witness in the proceeding.

Penalty: In the case of a body corporate: \$50,000. In any other case: \$10,000 or imprisonment for 2 years