

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE IN NORTHERN IRELAND
CHANCERY DIVISION

1972 No. 1

PRACTICE DIRECTION
TITLE OF CHANCERY PROCEEDINGS

1. Where the title refers to a document such as a settlement, lease, contract etc., it will be sufficient to state the nature of the document, its date and parties. Initials only of the Christian or first names of each named party to the document should be given in conjunction with their surnames. It will normally be sufficient to refer to the parties as "between (A.B.) and others". Should it be necessary to distinguish two documents of the same date the necessary distinction should be concise in form.

2. Where a proceeding is taken in the matter of several instruments and it is convenient to do so the instruments may be listed under suitable introductory words, e.g.:-

"IN THE MATTER of the following instruments

Date	Instrument	Parties	"
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3. Designation of a house or land or other premises should follow the lines of a postal address rather than those of a conveyancing description. Where such a method is not possible the title should be limited to words sufficient to identify the property consistently with the nature of the proceedings. Words such as "in the Parish of..." or "in the County of..." should not appear in the title.

4. Where the plaintiffs or defendants are numerous it is useful if in the writ of summons or originating summons the name of each is prefixed by a number of brackets.

5. Where an action has been reconstituted on more than one occasion, the title to subsequent summonses, notices, pleadings, affidavits and orders should set out no more than the original title and the one constituted by the last order to carry on. In setting out the names of the original parties, only those of the first plaintiff and defendant should be given. Any additional plaintiffs and defendants can be covered by the words "and others".

6. This direction shall come into operation on 17th April, 1972.

By the direction of Mr. Justice Gibson,

John M. Hunter

Chancery Registrar.

21st February 1972.