



**Notice to the Public and Profession
Regarding an Update to the Consolidated Practice Direction for the Central South Region**

The Consolidated Practice Direction for the Central South Region effective on December 2, 2025, has been updated as of August 21, 2026.

Effective today, two updates were made to the regional Practice Direction with respect to [Part 5. \(G\) Urgent Family Motions](#).

Paragraph 79 was amended to read:

79. In accordance with the Provincial Practice Direction, the moving party is restricted to one primary affidavit which shall not exceed 12 pages of narrative with exhibits limited to only necessary and relevant evidence and generally expected not to exceed 10 pages. If the motion seeks orders in relation to children, you must include a Form 35.1 Affidavit (decision-making responsibility, parenting time, contact) and if applicable a 35.1A Affidavit. The Affidavit submitted in support of the motion should include sufficient detail, including particulars about why the matter is urgent and enough background information for the judge to understand the context and circumstances in which the request arises. Litigants who are representing themselves are encouraged to seek legal advice.

Additionally, the second box in the [Emergency Motion Request Form](#) was amended to read:

- An Application or Motion to Change proceeding has not been commenced.

Please note that only in very exceptional circumstances will a motion be heard before an application or motion to change is commenced. Failure to commence an application or motion to change will likely result in the dismissal of the motion.

Mr. Justice Paul R. Sweeny
Regional Senior Judge - Central South Region, Superior Court of Justice