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CRIMINAL PROCEDURE CODE (CHAPTER 68)

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE CODE (ELECTRONIC FILING AND SERVICE FOR STATE COURTS) (AMENDMENT NO. 3) REGULATIONS 2014

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 428(2)(da) of the Criminal Procedure Code, the Minister for Law hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Criminal Procedure Code (Electronic Filing and Service for State Courts) (Amendment No. 3) Regulations 2014 and shall come into operation on 31st July 2014.

Amendment of regulation 2

2. Regulation 2 of the Criminal Procedure Code (Electronic Filing and Service for State Courts) Regulations 2013 (G.N. No. S 448/2013) (referred to in these Regulations as the principal Regulations) is amended by inserting, immediately after sub-paragraph (vii) of paragraph (a), the following sub-paragraph:

"(viia) any trial of any offence;".

Amendment of regulation 3

- **3.** Regulation 3 of the principal Regulations is amended by inserting, immediately before the definition of "authorised agent", the following definition:
 - ""application", in the context of the filing, service, delivery or conveyance of an application by means of electronic transmission or by using the electronic filing service, means

a written application or request relating to any criminal proceeding or criminal matter;".

Amendment of regulation 7

- **4.** Regulation 7 of the principal Regulations is amended
 - (a) by deleting the word "Every" in paragraph (1) and substituting the words "Subject to paragraphs (4A), (4B) and (4C), every"; and
 - (b) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (4), the following paragraphs:
 - "(4A) Where a party
 - (a) is an authorised user or is represented by an advocate and solicitor who is an authorised user or an authorised agent; and
 - (b) intends to tender a document as evidence to the court during a trial,

the party must file, before the commencement of the trial, an electronic reproduction of the document using the electronic filing service in accordance with these Regulations and such other requirements as may be imposed by the Registrar.

- (4B) A party shall not file an electronic reproduction of a document under paragraph (4A) if
 - (a) the party knows that another party objects to the admissibility of the document; or
 - (b) the party intends to tender the document as evidence during any proceedings heard in camera.
- (4C) The court may, in its discretion, allow a party to tender a document as evidence during a trial, notwithstanding that the party has not complied with paragraph (4A).

(4D) Paragraph (4) shall not apply to any document that is to be tendered to the court as evidence.".

Amendment of regulation 8

- **5.** Regulation 8(3) of the principal Regulations is amended
 - (a) by deleting the words "the application to" and substituting the words "the application"; and
 - (b) by inserting, immediately after the word "indirectly,", the words "to or".

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Made this 30th day of July 2014.

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