
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1989 No. 236

The County Court (Amendment) Rules 1989

Witness summons

9. Order 20, rule 12 shall be amended as follows—

(1) the following paragraph shall be substituted for paragraph (4)—

(a) “(4) The summons shall be issued not less than 7 days before the date upon which attendance before the court is required unless the judge or registrar otherwise directs and shall be served on the witness not less than 4 days before the date upon which attendance before the court is required unless the judge or registrar otherwise directs.

(b) Service under this paragraph shall, subject to paragraph (5), be effected by delivering the summons to the witness personally.”;

(2) the following new paragraph shall be added after paragraph (7)—

“(8) No summons shall be issued to require a witness to give evidence at a hearing in chambers for directions without leave of the judge or registrar, the application for which shall be made ex parte.”.