



**Magistrates' Court
Victoria**

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Practice Direction

No. 3 of 2008

APPLICATIONS FOR SUMMARY HEARING OF INDICTABLE OFFENCES

1. An application for the summary hearing of an indictable offence listed in the committal stream must be in writing and filed and served in the usual manner, unless the Court otherwise directs.
2. If the application for summary jurisdiction is granted in relation to the hearing of an indictable offence, so far as practicable, the matter will thereafter proceed before that Magistrate.
3. Where a defendant does not consent to a charge being heard summarily, the case shall be adjourned for full hearing.

This Practice Direction has effect from 2 February 2009.

IAN L GRAY
Chief Magistrate
Date: 11 December 2008