



The Court of Appeal for Bermuda

Ref. A/50

Friday, 18th April 2008

CIRCULAR NO: 6 of 2008

TO ALL COUNSEL

COURT OF APPEAL CALENDAR: 2nd June 2008 -20th June 2008 SESSION

I enclose herewith a Draft Cause List for the forthcoming session. Dates and times are subject to change during the session. Subject to available space and the President's directions, Counsel arguing matters on the Reserve List may need to be ready to proceed in either **Week 1** or **Week 2** of the session.

- The session will commence on **Monday, 2nd June 2008** and end on **Friday, 20th June 2008**. The Honourable President of the Court of Appeal has directed me to say that there will be no changes to the list, except as may be directed by the Court.
- Four copies of the Appeal Record and any documents to be viewed by the Judges are required to be filed in the Registry for the Court of Appeal at least four (4) days before the hearing date.
- Counsel, or anyone acting in person, are reminded that they are to observe the Rules of the Court of Appeal when submitting any further applications or documentation.
- Counsel are further reminded about providing their Authorities and Submissions for Civil Appeals in accordance with the dates settled before the Registrar. As the Court of Appeal Judges are travelling from overseas, it is necessary to have all Submissions received in a timely manner. This allows all appeals to proceed expeditiously. Counsel are reminded of Circular No.1 of 2007 wherein only Core Bundles are to be submitted for 'big' Civil Appeals.
- With respect to **Criminal Appeals** and to assist the Appeal Justices, the **Appellants' Skeleton Arguments and Authorities** must be submitted to the Registry on or before **Tuesday, 20th May 2008**; the **Respondents' Skeleton Arguments and Authorities** are to be submitted by close of business on **Tuesday, 27th May 2008**. This supersedes any and all prior Circulars. The fact that there are negotiations between the parties is not a good reason for refraining from submitting the Skeleton Argument.
- As has been done in the past, Counsel are reminded to keep their June calendar flexible for this Appeal Session. The President requires that Counsel be amenable to listing changes at short notice, including those cases listed on the Reserve List. The President has therefore directed me to inform Counsel that they should be prepared to proceed with their cases on very short notice at any time during the appeal period, and not only on the listed date.
- Finally, because of the short schedule and the pressure of work that will be on the Court of Appeal Judges, Counsel are asked to inform the Registrar of the Court as soon as possible if they intend to abandon an appeal.



REGISTRAR OF THE COURT

cc:

- * Attorney-General's Chambers
- * Director of Public Prosecutions
- * Legal Aid
- * Corrections