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	<p><b>(19) Practice direction under the Courts (Constitution and Jurisdiction Ordinance 2007).</b></p> <p>The Senior Judge, The Hon Mr Justice J.J. Teare, under section 28 of the Courts (Constitution and Jurisdiction) Ordinance 2007, has issued a practice direction which is published overleaf.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(See (19) overleaf)</i></p>	
	<p><b>(20) Notifications under the Courts Ordinance 1960.</b></p> <p>The Honourable Mr Justice Jonathan James Teare, was appointed as Senior Judge of the Senior Judge's Court of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia with effect from 26th February, 2007 to 25th February, 2012 inclusive.</p> <p>The Honourable Mr Guy Whitburn, QC was appointed as a Deputy Senior Judge of the Senior Judge's Court of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia with effect from 2nd February, 2007 to 1st February, 2012 inclusive.</p> <p>His Honour Judge Mr Elikkos Georgiades, was appointed as an Associate Judge of the Resident Judge's Court of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia with effect from 23rd February, 2007 to 22nd February, 2012 inclusive.</p>	
	<p>By the Administrator's Command, P. D. Draycott, Chief Officer, Sovereign Base Areas.</p>	

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**Practice direction under the Courts (Constitution and Jurisdiction Ordinance 2007)**

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**IN THE SENIOR JUDGES' COURT OF THE SOVEREIGN BASE AREAS OF  
AKROTIRI AND DHEKELIA**

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**PRACTICE DIRECTION: TRANSCRIPTS AND TAPES**

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1. Recently, requests for the provision of transcripts of court hearings have become increasingly common. This has placed a substantial burden upon the limited resources of the Court, and particularly upon the Court Staff responsible for the provision of transcripts.
2. Transcripts of hearings should not, as a matter of course, be necessary. Parties to a hearing are reminded that they should normally take as full a note of the proceedings as fulfils their own purposes, and that recourse to an official transcript should only be necessary in a very limited number of cases.
3. As from 1 April 2007, Court transcripts of proceedings will not be provided except in the following circumstances:
  - (i) On the application of a party who can demonstrate an interest in the proceedings in question.
  - (ii) On the grant (after application) of leave to appeal or judicial review.
4. Application for a transcript must be made, in writing, within 14 days of the conclusion of the proceedings.
5. The application must be made in the first instance to the Resident Judge. If the application is refused, it can be renewed (in writing) either to a Deputy Senior Judge who is then within the Sovereign Base Areas, or to the Senior Judge. Any decision will be made without oral submissions, and may be communicated by fax, email or telephone to the Senior Registrar who will then inform the applicant forthwith.
6. If, at the conclusion of the proceedings for which any transcript has been provided the Court is satisfied (upon the balance of probabilities) that the provision of such transcript was not necessary, it is entitled to consider whether the party who applied for the transcript should make full or partial contribution towards the cost of its provision, unless prohibited from doing so by Ordinance.
7. In order to avoid the need for transcripts, a party who can demonstrate an interest in the proceedings may apply to the Senior Registrar for a copy of the tape recording of the relevant part of the proceedings. This will be provided, but only on a signed undertaking that the copy tape will be treated as confidential to the party concerned, and that copyright of the recordings remains with the Court.

Jonathan Teare  
Senior Judge

7<sup>th</sup> March 2007