



The Supreme Court of the Northwest Territories

August 8, 1997

PRACTICE DIRECTION

Application for Child Support under the Federal Child Support Guidelines (*Divorce Act*)

- I. All applicants, whether for child support or variation of an existing child support order must prepare the following documents, in the forms attached to this Practice Direction:
1. Basic Child Support Data Sheet and any of the additional relevant forms, such as the Additional Child Support Data Sheet for Income over \$150,000.00; and
 2. Child Support Guidelines Information Sheet.

For Chambers applications, these two documents must be handed to the clerk at the beginning of any application. No application will proceed without the documents being completed and presented. Failure to complete and present these documents will result in the application being dismissed.

Consent orders and desk divorces must be accompanied by these documents as well.

- II. All divorce petitions and originating notices in which child support is claimed in a matrimonial situation, and all Notices of Motion in which child support is claimed where the originating documents were filed before May 1, 1997, the date the Guidelines came into effect, are to be endorsed with a Notice to Respondent Pursuant to the Federal Child Support Guidelines in the form attached.
- III. All orders for child support shall be in the form attached.

It is intended that this Practice Direction will govern the practice until such time as the N.W.T. Divorce Rules are amended.

Issued this 8th day of August 1997 by direction of the judges of the Supreme Court.

Justice J.E. Richard
Justice J.Z. Vertes
Justice V.A. Schuler