

ADVICE TO PRACTITIONERS

ISSUES AND LISTINGS CONFERENCE

NO. 1 OF 1998

Where all the parties agree to an order that there be an Issues and Listings Conference before the Registrar, it will be assumed that practitioners attending the conference will be familiar with the matter, fully instructed and in a position to inform the Registrar of the following: -

- whether agreement has been reached on out of pocket expenses and other items of special damages
- whether liability is an issue
- where appropriate, whether employment has been admitted
- whether diagnosis is an issue
- whether exposure and causation are in issue
- what other issues are agreed or not agreed
- the apportionment to be made between the defendants
- where appropriate, that full particulars of employment, exposure, items of general damages and the like, or an affidavit of the plaintiff, have been provided sufficiently before the conference to each interested party

If the conference is unsuccessful because of the failure by a party to deal adequately with any of the above matters, the Registrar may recommend that a costs order be made against the party or parties responsible. A conference may be stood over by consent, without penalty as to costs, upon not less than twenty-four hours notice to the Registry in writing.

D J Martin
Registrar
Dust Diseases Tribunal

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