



Magistrates' Court Victoria

Practice Direction

No. 7 of 2012

EARLY NEUTRAL EVALUATION

Background

Practice Direction 4 of 2010 announced the start of a pilot programme of early neutral evaluation at the Court at Melbourne. Practice Direction 7 of 2011 extended the time of the programme. The programme has proven successful. The purpose of this Practice Direction is to remove the programme from its pilot stage.

Direction

As from 1 July 2012, the programme known as early neutral evaluation is a permanent feature of the range of alternative dispute resolution processes.

This Practice Direction is backdated to commence from 1 July 2012.

Ian L Gray
Chief Magistrate
Dated: 10 September 2012