

District Court Amendment (Electronic Case Management) Rule 2014

under the

District Court Act 1973

The District Court Rule Committee has made the following rule of court under the *District Court Act 1973*.

A Grew Secretary to the Rule Committee

Explanatory note

The object of this Rule is to make provision for the use of JusticeLink (an electronic case management system established under the *Electronic Transactions Act 2000*) for the issuing of arrest warrants by the District Court where the use of JusticeLink is authorised by an order in force under clause 3 of Schedule 1 to the *Electronic Transactions Act 2000*.

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1 Name of Rule

This Rule is the District Court Amendment (Electronic Case Management) Rule 2014.

2 Commencement

This Rule commences on the day on which it is published on the NSW legislation website.

Schedule 1 Amendment of District Court Rules 1973

Part 53 Criminal procedure rules

Insert after Division 3:

Division 4 Electronic case management

29 Definitions

In this Division:

ECM system means JusticeLink.

JusticeLink means the electronic case management system of that name established under clause 2 of Schedule 1 to the *Electronic Transactions Act* 2000.

30 Application of this Division

This Division applies to criminal proceedings before the District Court for which the ECM system is authorised by an order in force under clause 3 of Schedule 1 to the *Electronic Transactions Act 2000*.

31 Electronic issuing of an arrest warrant

- (1) The court may issue an arrest warrant by means of the ECM system.
- (2) The date of issue of an arrest warrant must be set out in the warrant.
- (3) When issued by means of the ECM system, an arrest warrant that is required to be signed by a person is taken to have been duly authenticated for the purposes of clause 5 of Schedule 1 to the *Electronic Transactions Act 2000* if the person's name is printed where his or her signature would otherwise appear.