



NEW SOUTH WALES

18 January 2022

CHIEF MAGISTRATE'S MEMORANDUM NO. 25A - COVID-19

The Local Court of NSW continues to be severely affected by COVID cases. Accordingly, the Chief Magistrate, His Honour Judge Peter Johnstone, in consultation with stakeholders, has made the decision to vacate all defended hearings (including hearings where the defendant is in custody) statewide up until and including Friday 4 February 2022. The matters will remain listed for callover, parties who are legally represented are excused from attendance and legal practitioners can appear via AVL or email to seek a further hearing date. Unrepresented parties are directed to make contact prior to the hearing date with the appropriate court registry and advise of any unavailable dates so that the matter can be given a further hearing date.

Until further notice, all other matters are to proceed in accordance with memorandum 24.

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