

Children's Court of New South Wales

Practice Note No. 7

Legal Representation for Children and Young Persons in Proceedings for Compulsory Schooling Orders

1. Commencement

This Practice Note is to commence on 27 February 2012.

2. Preamble

2.1 The purpose of this Practice Note is to provide for the appointment of a legal representative for a child or young person in proceedings for a compulsory schooling order under the *Education Act 1990* prior to the first listing of the matter before the Children's Court to allow for a copy of the application to be provided by the applicant to the legal representative in addition to service on the child or young person.

2.2 Pursuant to s22D(5) of the *Education Act 1990*, Chapter 6 of the *Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998* (the Care Act) applies to and in respect of proceedings relating to an application for a compulsory schooling order.

3. Representation of children and young persons in proceedings for a compulsory schooling order

The appointment of a legal representative to act for a child or young person under section 99(1) of the Care Act shall be deemed to have been made to a solicitor or barrister employed or engaged by Legal Aid NSW on the filing of an application for a compulsory schooling order.

His Honour Judge Mark Marien SC

PRESIDENT

24 February 2012