



THE PROVINCIAL COURT OF ALBERTA

PRACTICE DIRECTION

AMENDMENTS TO DOCUMENTS UPON DEMISE OF THE CROWN

Effective: October 17, 2022

The following provides direction to all litigants, legal counsel, agents and witnesses with respect to the amendment of the styles of cause of filed documents in all Divisions of The Provincial Court of Alberta upon the death of Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and the demise of the Crown to His Majesty King Charles III .

1. Any new proceedings involving the Crown should describe the Crown as “Rex” or “His Majesty the King”.
2. There are numerous existing proceedings which name Her Majesty the Queen as a party. In order to accomplish the amendment of materials filed in existing proceedings so as to refer to His Majesty the King, the Chief Judge has issued the attached Blanket Order.
3. During a reasonable grace period, the Clerk of the Court will continue to accept documents that use the original style of cause. All parties should commence using the amended names as soon as possible.
4. Appropriate changes are being made to the online forms, but that process will take some time.
5. It is not necessary to refile any previously filed document to reflect these amendments.

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Derek G. Redman
Chief Judge
Provincial Court of Alberta