

The Dispute Resolution Authority

Practice Direction No. 8 of 2017

The DIFC Wills and Probate Registry Rules

Citation, commencement and interpretation.

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by Article 8 section (3) of Dubai Law No. 9 of 2004, as amended, and Rules 4 and 7 of the DIFC Wills and Probate Registry Rules, I, Dr. Michael Hwang SC, Head of the DIFC Dispute Resolution Authority, issue the following Practice Direction after having reviewed the DIFC Wills and Probate Registry Rules, including, but not limited to, Rules 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 16, 23, 27, 37, 38, 67, 68, 74, 75, 83, 86 and Schedules 1 and 3, DRA Order 2 of 2017 – in respect of the DIFC Wills and Probate Registry and the DIFC Wills and Probate Registry Rules, and DIFC Wills and Probate Registry Practice Direction Number 1 of 2016 – The DIFC Wills and Probate Registry’s Register of Will Draftsmen.

The purpose of this Practice Direction is to amend the DIFC Wills and Probate Registry Rules to reflect the new name given to the DIFC Wills and Probate Registry in accordance with DRA Order 2 of 2017 and to align with the creation of the Wills Registry for Non-Muslims at the DIFC Courts pursuant to Dubai Law 15 of 2017 concerning Administration of Non-Muslim Estates in Dubai and Execution of their Wills.

1. This Practice Direction will come into effect on the date of signature. It may be cited as **Practice Direction 8 of 2017 — The DIFC Wills and Probate Registry Rules** and may be abbreviated to **PD 8/2017**.
2. In this Practice Direction—
 - (a) “DIFC WPR Rules” means the DIFC Wills and Probate Registry Rules.

Amendments to the DIFC WPR Rules.

3. The DIFC WPR Rules shall be amended at Rules 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 16, 23, 27, 37, 38, 67, 68, 74, 75, 83, 86 and Schedules 1 and 3.

Annexure of DIFC Wills and Probate Registry Rules.

4. The DIFC WPR Rules as amended by this Practice Direction are attached hereto.

Dated this 28th day of November 2017

Dr. Michael Hwang SC

Head of the Dispute Resolution Authority