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NOTICE TO THE CLERK, LITIGANTS AND THEIR COUNSEL

The recent reforms to the Rules of the Court in both civil and criminal matters have occasioned an unintended and unwanted modification of the number of pages of argument in a factum. Article 68(e) of the Rules in Civil Matters and article 71(e) of the Rules in Criminal Matters omit to specify that Part V is not to be included in the calculation of the number of pages in a factum. Kindly therefore note that the Clerk will accept factums in which the entirety of the first four parts of the factum do not exceed 30 pages, with Part V being excluded from the calculation.

This practice will be followed until the adoption of appropriate amendments to the Rules.

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