

Chief Magistrate's Chambers Melbourne Magistrates' Court

PRACTICE DIRECTION

NO. 3/2003 EXTENSION OF TIME - SECTION 29

PRACTICE DIRECTION ISSUED PURSUANT TO SECTION 58 OF THE VICTIMS OF CRIME ASSISTANCE ACT 1996

Section 29 of the *Victims of Crime Assistance Act 1996* allows an applicant to make an application for assistance within 2 years after the occurrence of the act of violence or within 2 years of the date of death of the primary victim where the applicant is a related victim or applying for funeral expenses to be met by the Tribunal.

Applications for extension of this 2 year limit may be made under Section 29 by filing a written application for extension of time.

Such applications will generally be determined when the applicant has notified the Tribunal that all material in support of the application for extension of time has been filed.

This Practice Direction has effect from 1 July 2003

IAN LESLIE GRAY
CHIEF MAGISTRATE

16 May 2003