



VICTIMS OF CRIME ASSISTANCE TRIBUNAL

Chief Magistrate's Chambers
Melbourne Magistrates' Court

1 July 1997

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

PRACTICE DIRECTION NO. 5/97

HOSPITAL/HEALTH/MEDICAL BENEFITS - LIABILITY OF INSURER TO PAY

Under the provisions of the *Victims of Crime Assistance Act 1996*, the Tribunal has determined that **all** Medical and Health Insurers are obliged to meet their liabilities fully before the Tribunal will make any order for expenses incurred.

The Victims of Crime Assistance Tribunal takes the view that “any form of insurance” includes *any* form of health or medical benefits.

(SIGNED)

Michael A. Adams QC
Chief Magistrate