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CIRCULAR

Sub: Witnesses - Summoning of Professional Witnesses (Doctors) to give evidence in their Official capacity - preference to be given to them in taking up the cases where they are required to give evidence or expert opinion - certain instructions - issued - Reg.

Ref: High Court's Circular R.O.C.No.2628/89-F1, dated 15.06.89.

1. The High Court, in its earlier Circular dated 15.06.1989 have issued instructions to all the Subordinate Criminal Courts in the State to give specific date principally to doctors who come to tender evidence, that their presence is required on the particular date and time (if possible) for recording their testimony, and to avoid the summoning of such professional witnesses without their presence being required for tendering testimony.

2. While reiterating the aforesaid circular, the Hon'ble High Court further directs all the Judicial Officers on the trial side, to give preference to the Official Witnesses like Doctor, Experts and they need not be kept waiting without reasonable cause and as soon as calling work is over they must be given preference than others.

3. The abovesaid instructions should be followed strictly in future. Any deviation in this regard will be viewed seriously.

HIGH COURT: MADRAS
DATED: 22.01.2002

Sd/-K. JAYARAMAN
REGISTRAR GENERAL

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2. All the Additional District Judge-cum-Chief Judicial Magistrates. (with a request to bring it to the notice of the Subordinate Officers)
3. The Principal Judge, City Civil Court, Madras.
4. The Chief Judge, Court of Small Causes, Madras.
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