SUPREME COURT OF TASMANIA

CIRCULAR TO PRACTITIONERS

No.11 of 2021 5 July 2021

ADDITIONAL CRIMINAL SITTINGS

The Court continues to take all reasonable steps to reduce the current backlog of criminal trials, particularly during the restrictions imposed under the COVID-19 pandemic.

The only way of increasing the number of criminal trials this year is to conduct them in weeks when criminal trials would not ordinarily be conducted – the weeks of appeal terms and court vacations.

BURNIE:

Arrangements are in place to extend the next two Sittings in the Supreme Court in Burnie to 5 weeks' duration each.

Criminal trials and proceedings will therefore be conducted in Burnie during the periods

- between 19 July 2021 and 20 August 2021; and
- between 30 August 2021 and 30 September 2021.

HOBART:

An acting judge will conduct criminal trials in Hobart during Fourth Term (16-27 August).

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