



Court Attire Policy

Purpose

This policy aims to ensure barristers appear before the court in attire that meets the Court's expectations.

Application

This policy applies to:

- barristers appearing in proceedings before the Court of Appeal, Court of Criminal Appeal, Common Law Division, and Equity Division
- barristers attending ceremonial sittings of the Supreme Court

Court of Appeal

If appearing before a:	Robes	Wig
Judge	Yes, except for directions hearings and Monday referrals before a single Judge	No
Registrar	No	No

Court of Criminal Appeal

If appearing before a:	Robes	Wig
Judge	Yes	Yes
Registrar	No	No

Common Law Division

Hearing type		Robes	Wig
Crime	Bail	No	No
	Trial	Yes	Yes
	Pre-trial mentions or applications	No, unless the accused is present in court	No, unless the accused is present in court
	Sentence proceedings	Yes	Yes
	Delivery of reserved judgment	Yes	Yes
Civil	Pre-trial applications, mentions, callovers, directions	No	No
	Civil trials	Yes	Yes
	Duty matters	No	No
	Delivery of reserved judgment	Yes	Yes

Equity Division

Hearing type/List name	Robes	Wig
Trials	Yes, including enquiries as to damages and for account of profits	Yes, including enquiries as to damages and for account of profits
Duty Judge	Yes, all lists	Yes, all lists
Delivery of reserved judgment	Yes, except in respect of reserved judgments on motions	Yes, except in respect of reserved judgments on motions
Motions in the:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Probate List 	Yes	Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protective List 	Yes	Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corporations List 	No	No
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revenue List <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 9.30am ○ Other motions 	No Yes	No Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other lists 	No	No
Directions in the:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Probate List 	Yes	Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protective List 	Yes	Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corporations List <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 9.30am ○ Other directions 	No No	No No
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other lists 	No, except if the presiding judge is also sitting as Duty Judge or the directions hearing occurs during the course of a trial	No, except if the presiding judge is also sitting as Duty Judge or the directions hearing occurs during the course of a trial

Ceremonial sittings

Barristers are to wear robes and wigs. Senior Counsel should wear full-bottomed wigs.

Issued by

J J Spigelman AC
Chief Justice of NSW
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