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Dear Federal Court Practice Subscriber,

New Federal Court Rules and Forms

The *Federal Court Rules 2011* apply to all Federal Court proceedings commencing after 1 August 2011. Although the new *Federal Court Rules 2011* have been redrafted, there remains a substantial comparability with the current *Federal Court Rules*, which have been repealed with the commencement of the new *Rules*.

New binder

The existing commentary to the former *Federal Court Rules* will be retained in Federal Court Practice. A new binder, entitled "*Federal Court Rules (1979)*" is included in this update so that the old Rules and commentary are retained for future reference. The commentary to the new *Federal Court Rules 2011* will be written as the decisions of the Federal Court applying the new Rules begin to be handed down.

Comparative tables

Also enclosed in this update are comparative tables between the old and new Rules and Forms, so that our subscribers have an easy reference tool during this transition period.

Filing

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