IN THE TERRITORIAL COURT OF YUKON

PRACTICE DIRECTION *Citation of Judgments*
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Canadian cases should be cited using their neutral citation, if one is assigned. When using a neutral citation, a parallel citation is not required.

Neutral citations include the following elements:

- Case name (e.g. *R v Jones*)
- The year of the decision (e.g., 2014)
- The acronym for the jurisdiction and level of court (e.g., YKTC)
- A number (which will be assigned sequentially as judgments are released)

The neutral citation for *R v Jones* would appear as *R v Jones,* 2014 YKTC 3.

If a neutral citation is not available and a CanLII citation is available, then both a CanLII citation and a parallel citation are required. Any parallel citation is acceptable, but preference should be given to official reporters.

If neither a neutral citation nor a CanLII citation is available, then two reporters are required, one as the main citation and the other as a parallel citation.

Further guidance about citing case law can be found in the Canadian Open Access Legal Citation Guide.

The filing of duplicate cases should be avoided. Whenever possible, parties should file joint books of authority. See Practice Direction DOC-2 (*Case Law, Casebooks and Frequently Cited Authorities*).

Chief Judge J. Phelps
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