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## SUPREME COURT (CHAPTER 53)

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The Rules Committee, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 76 of the Supreme Court Act (Ch. 53), makes the following rules —

#### 1. Citation and duration.

- (1) These Rules may be cited as the Supreme Court (Covid 19) Rules, 2020.
- (2) These Rules shall be deemed to have come into force on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020 and shall remain in effect for fourteen days following the cessation of the public emergency declared by the Proclamation of Emergency made the 17<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020, by His Excellency the Governor-General pursuant to Article 29(4) of the Constitution, or any extension thereof by Resolution of each House of Parliament or further proclamation ("the Public Emergency") or such other date as may be specified by the Rules Committee.

#### 2. Extension of time fixed under Rules of the Supreme Court.

Any period of time fixed by the Rules of the Supreme Court, any practice direction, court order or direction for filing any pleading or document or taking any procedural step in an action under such Rules or doing any act or thing under such Rules, which would expire during the aforesaid period of emergency, shall be extended to fourteen days following the cessation of the Public Emergency.

Made this 1st day of April, 2020

Signed BRIAN M. MOREE Rules Committee