Based on the February 1, 2024, Notice to the Profession Toronto Region Practice Direction H.3 Matters Properly Brought in Construction Lien Ex Parte Court

CHECKLIST: Time-Sensitive Vacating Motions Referred to a Construction Lien Associate Judge

I. FILING MOTION MATERIAL

A. If Toronto Matter (No Existing Action)

□ File vacating motion materials in searchable PDF format via the <u>Civil</u> Submissions Online portal

B. If There Is an Existing Court File

 \Box Bring the motion in the existing action, even if it doesn't have a Toronto file number.

 \Box If no action exists, leave file number blank; the court will assign one.

C. If Non-Toronto Action (Leave to Be Heard in Toronto)

☐ File materials by email only to: Toronto.AssociateJudges.ConstructionLienMatters@ontario.ca

Email subject and body must clearly state that the motion is in a non-Toronto action.

□ After motion is heard, file all materials and endorsements at the originating courthouse.

! Only urgent motions or motions from non-Toronto cases asking to be heard in Toronto can be filed by email (see H.3.4.4). All other motions must be filed through the Civil Submissions Online portal.

II. MARK MOTION MATERIALS AS "URGENT" OR "TIME SENSITIVE"

Vacating orders are typically time-sensitive and parties are encouraged, as a matter of course, to submit vacating orders as "Urgent" or "Time-Sensitive" motions to the Construction Lien Associate Judges:

A. Toronto Matters (No Existing Action)

☐ After filing via the portal, email all motion materials as attachments to: Toronto.AssociateJudges.ConstructionLienMatters@ontario.ca

□ Subject line: "Urgent or "Time-Sensitive" Vacating Motion"

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□ Include confirmation of submittal through Civil Submissions

If confirmation is missing, the motion may be rejected.

B. Non-Toronto Matters (With Leave to Be Heard in Toronto)

□ Email the same address, with the same materials and subject line marked "Urgent" or "Time-Sensitive."

III. INCLUDE EXPLANATION OF URGENCY

 \Box All urgent or time-sensitive motions must include:

- An explanation of the urgency or time-sensitivity
- Any **pending dates** (e.g., closing, financing, etc.)

Failure to include an urgency explanation may result in the motion being rejected.

IV. REQUIRED MATERIALS FOR THE MOTION RECORD

 \Box Notice of Motion

- Clearly states the relief sought under s. 44 of the Construction Act

□ Affidavit in support

- To provide "evidence supporting the relief sought" as required under H.4 of *Practice Direction*

 \Box Copy of the Security

- High-quality colour scan preferred
- Filed as a separate document, even if included in the motion record
- If using lien bond or letter of credit, include all schedules with:
 - Visible signatures
 - Corporate seals (or printed name, title, and authority statement)

□ A completed fiat in the usual form (Sample Fiat)

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• Should be filed separately, even if part of the motion record

□ Draft Order (<u>Sample Order</u>)

- Includes directions to the Accountant and conditions for the order to take effect
- Must be submitted in both PDF and Word format
- Should be filed separately, even if part of the motion record

 \Box Executed Consent (if necessary)

- Should be filed separately, even if part of the motion record