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- WHEREAS by reason of the strike action embarked upon by the Judiciary Staff Union of Nigeria (known as JUSUN STRIKE) that affected court proceedings and the filing of processes in court for the period covering Tuesday, the 6th day of April, 2021 to Monday, the 14th day of June, 2021.
- AND WHEREAS it has become necessary to make Practice Directions to provide guidelines for the computation of time for the payment of default fees with respect to applications for enlargement of the time within which to comply with the filing of processes in the High Court of Delta State for that period.

Now therefore, in the exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 274 and 315 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 (as Amended) and section 53 of the High Court Law, Cap H3, Volume 3, Laws of Delta State of Nigeria 2006 and by virtue of all powers enabling me in that behalf, I, T. OBIAJULU DIAI, the Honourable, the Acting Chief Judge of Delta State, hereby issue the following Practice Directions:

1. COMPUTATION OF TIME FOR FILING COURT PROCESSES AND PAYMENT OF DEFAULT FEES FOR EXTENSION OF TIME.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Order 44, rule 3 (with particular reference to the proviso and all other provisions in that behalf) of the High Court of Delta State (Civil Procedure) Rules, 2009, on the computation of the time for filing of court processes or for doing an act as provided by the Rules and the

payment of default fees for extension of time thereof, the period covering the JUSUN STRIKE Action, that is, the 6th day of April, 2021 to the 14th day of June, 2021, is hereby exempted.

2. APPLICABILITY

These Practice Directions shall, save to the extent and as may be otherwise directed by the Acting Chief Judge, apply to both civil and criminal causes and matters in the High Court of Delta State.

3. CITATION

These Practice Directions shall be cited as the High Court of Delta State (Exemption of Payment of Default Fees For Filing of Processes) Practice Directions (No. 2) of 2021.

4. COMMENCEMENT

These Practice Directions shall come into effect from Tuesday, the 15th day of June 2021.

Hon. Justice T. Obiajulu Diai Acting Chief Judge

High Court, Delta State