## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Subordinate Law No. 33 of 1997

Issued by the Authority of the Judges of the Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory

## SUPREME COURT RULES (AMENDMENT)

The resident Judges of the Court (of whom there are four, including the Chief Justice) or any two of the resident Judges, may make Rules of Court for regulating the practice and procedure of the Court pursuant to section 36 of the Supreme Court Act 1933.

These amending rules provide for the manner in which non-personal service of a document is to be effected (new Rule 9 of Order 10) as well as for the address for service of a defendant who appears by a solicitor (Rule 4 of Order 13). Where a defendant appears by a solicitor who does not have an agent in the Territory, it is no longer necessary for that solicitor to have an address for service in the Territory. An address in Australia is sufficient.