SUPREME COURT OF QUEENSLAND

PRACTICE DIRECTION NUMBER 10 OF 2024

REGISTRAR'S POWER: WILL ATTESTED BY ONLY ONE WITNESS

- 1. This Practice Direction is issued for the purposes of r 452(2)(b) of the *Uniform Civil Procedure Rules 1999* (Qld) (**UCPR**).
- 2. The registrar may constitute the court to hear and decide applications under s 18(2) of the *Succession Act 1981* (Qld) to dispense with the requirement under s 10(4) of that Act that a will must be witnessed by at least two persons, in circumstances where a will has been attested by only one witness, subject to the production of evidence:
 - (a) showing that the deceased intended the document to be their will;
 - (b) of due execution of the will by the testator in the presence of the witness (using UCPR Form 107, with necessary modification); and
 - (c) of any explanation why more than one witness did not attest the will document.

H Bowskill Chief Justice 11 March 2024

See https://www.courts.qld.gov.au/about/forms.