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THE CORONERS LAW

(1995 Revision)

THE CORONERS RULES

(1996 Revision)

Revised under the authority of the Law Revision Law (19 of 1975).

The Coroner's Rules made by the Rules Committee the 23rd March, 1977 and approved by the Governor in Council the 26th April, 1977.

Consolidated with the -

Coroner's Court (Evidence) Rules, 1979 made the 2nd February, 1979 and approved the 9th February, 1979.

Coroner's Court (Evidence) (Amendment) Rules, 1983 made the 2nd May, 1983 and approved the 17th May, 1983.

Consolidated and revised this 13th day of August, 1996.

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Arrangement of Rules

1. Citation
2. Forms
3. Procedure in recording testimony at inquests
4. Coroner's signature
Schedule: Forms

CORONERS RULES

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1. These Rules may be cited as the Coroners Rules (1996 Revision). Citation

2. The Forms in the Schedule, amended by the Coroner in such manner as may be appropriate, from time to time, to meet the needs of any particular case, may be used in the implementation of the Law. Forms

3. In the exercise of his duty of recording evidence under section 9(1) the Coroner- Procedure in recording testimony at inquests
 - (a) is not restricted from recording and taking into account evidence on the ground that it would not be admissible at common law, or under the Evidence Law (1995 Revision); 1995 Revision
 - (b) may allow cross-examination of any witness by any person present in court desiring to cross-examine;
 - (c) shall permit any person present in court to testify who desires so to do and states that his testimony may throw light upon the subject matter of the inquest; and
 - (d) shall allow-
 - (i) any person who, in the Coroner's opinion, is a properly interested person to examine any witness at an inquest either in person or by an attorney-at-law; and
 - (ii) the Attorney-General or any attorney-at-law nominated by the Attorney-General for the purpose to examine any witness at an inquest in which the Crown or any department in Government is interested:
Provided that the Coroner shall disallow any question or answer which, in his opinion, is not relevant or is otherwise not a proper question or answer.

4. The Coroner's signature shall be judicially recognised in all Courts. Coroner's signature

SCHEDULE

Form C 1

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(Section 15 (c))

WARRANT TO EXHUME

TO

Whereas I, _____, a Coroner for the Cayman Islands, am credibly informed that the body of one _____ has been buried in the cemetery at _____ and I have cause to hold an inquest thereon.

These are to command you forthwith to take up the said body for the said purpose and thereafter comply with the further directions of the Court.

Coroner

Date

FORM C 2

CORONERS LAW

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(Section 15 (b) and 16)

SUMMONS TO MEDICAL WITNESS

TO

(Medical Practitioner)

You are hereby required to make a post mortem examination of the body of _____ (deceased) now lying at _____ and thereafter to appear before the Coroner's Court, at such times as you may be required, to give evidence touching the death of the deceased.

Coroner

Date

Form C 3

CORONERS LAW

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(Section 14(2))

CERTIFICATE OF TAKING INQUISITION

Regina versus
To the Clerk of the Grand Court

I hereby certify that the annexed inquisition and recognisances were taken at an inquest held by me on the _____ day of _____, 19____, at _____ on the body of _____.

A copy of the warrant of commitment of _____ is also enclosed.

LIST OF EXHIBITS

Number or Mark	Short description	Person having custody
		Coroner
Date		

Form C 4

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(Section 15(a))

ORDER FOR BURIAL

TO
This is to authorise and require you to cause the body of _____ of _____ to be buried at _____, the death having been reported to me on _____ by _____ and the said body being no longer required for purposes of evidence touching the death.

Coroner

Date
Form C 5

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(Section 23)

**APPOINTMENT OF CORONER FOR INQUIRY INTO A SPECIFIED
MATTER**

I, _____, Governor of the Cayman Islands, by virtue of the Coroners
Law (1995 Revision) appoint _____ of _____ to
act as Coroner for the purpose of holding an inquiry into the following matter-

Governor

Date

ANNEXURE

I, _____, solemnly and sincerely swear that I
will diligently and truly do everything appertaining to the office of Coroner for
inquiring into the matter of

to the best of my power for the doing of right in the said matter.

Acting Coroner

Date

Publication in consolidated and revised form authorised by the Governor in
Council this 13th day of August, 1996.

Meredith Hew
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council