

**FEDERAL HIGH COURT PRACTICE
MANUAL CONTACT**

S.I. 8 of 2000

**CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF
NIGERIA**

**FEDERAL HIGH COURT (CIVIL PROCEDURE) RULES
2000**

ARRANGEMENT OF RULES

ORDER 1

CITATION, APPLICATION E.T.C

1. Construction of reference to law, rules, e.t.c
2. Revocation of Civil Procedure Rules contained in Schedule to 1999 No 23
3. Interpretation.
4. Citation and Commencement

ORDER 2

FORM AND COMMENCEMENT OF ACTION

1. Mode of beginning proceedings
2. (a.) Proceedings which may be begun by writ.
(b.) Proceedings which may be begun by originating summons
3. Proceedings to be begun by motion or petition.

ORDER 3

EFFECT OF NON-COMPLIANCE

1. Effect of non- compliance.
2. Application to set aside for irregularity

ORDER 4

PARTICULARS OF CLAIM

1. Further particulars
2. Effects of particulars

3. Papers annexed: in what cases.
4. Inspection of papers annexed.
5. Amendment of particulars.
6. Amendment at trials.

ORDER 5

CAUSES OF ACTION

1. All causes of action may be joined.
2. Counter claim against plaintiff.
3. Court may order separate trials, e.t.c
- 4 Consolidation.

ORDER 6

WRIT OF SUMMONS

1. Writ of summons to be issued by the registrar.
2. Contents of writ of summons.
3. Alteration of writ.
4. Several causes of action in one suit.
5. Service of writ: whole Federation within court's jurisdiction
6. (1) Forms of writ

(2) Provisions for framing additional forms

7. Sealing of writs
8. Statement of claim.
9. (1) Endorsement as to capacity.
(2) Summons for service out of jurisdiction
10. Endorsement as to legal practitioner and address.
11. Concurrent writ.
12. Writ for service out of jurisdiction.
13. "Issue", when effected.
14. Duration and renewal.

ORDER 7

ORIGINATING SUMMONS

1. Application
2. Forms for originating summons.
3. Contents of summons
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5. Endorsement as to legal practitioner and address.
6. Concurrent originating summons.
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8. "Issue" when effected
9. Validity and renewal of originating summons.

10. Ex parte originating summonses.