

## **About this book**

Rules of court and practices are constantly changing and must be carefully checked when preparing an appeal. Note that the currency of the information given in the tables on pages 95-106 is explained at page 94. The law is generally as at July 2007. There is no Table of Legislation.

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