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# Introduction to Pleadings

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# Summary + takeaway

- ▶ **Refer to the rules:** Chapter 6 and Div 16.1
- ▶ The **bare minimum:** material facts, relief sought, legislative provisions, sufficient particulars and avoiding surprise
- ▶ Going further: **responses** and **the direct explanation** – avoiding a deemed admission, and garnering the strategic advantage
- ▶ **Specific matters:** especially, states of mind including knowledge
- ▶ Supporting the pleading with “*before and after*” steps



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