

**64. Costs of action or proceeding**

- (1) Except as hereinafter provided in this Act, the costs of any action or proceeding shall be in accordance with any legal costs determination (as defined in the *Legal Practice Act 2003*) and shall be paid by or apportioned between the parties in such manner as the District Court Judge directs and in default of such a direction shall abide the event.
- (2) The costs may be recovered in like manner as a debt adjudged by the Court to be paid.
- (3) Subject to this Act, a District Court Judge has the same power in relation to the payment of costs by any party as a Judge of the Supreme Court has.

*[Section 64 amended by No. 65 of 1987 s.24; No. 65 of 2003 s. 32(7).]*