

GLOSSARY OF SOME IRISH LEGAL TERMS

Appearance	Response from Debtor, who receives a Summons, that he intends to defend the case.
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Chattel Mortgage	Mortgage registered on property other than land/house e.g. cattle, item of machinery.
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Civil Summons	District Court Summons, as would be sent to Debtor by the Creditor, at the start of legal proceedings.
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Civil Bill	Circuit Court Summons, as would be sent to Debtor by the Creditor, at the start of legal proceedings.
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Committal Order	Order of District Court committing the Debtor to prison for failure to make debt repayments, by instalments, under the terms of an Instalment Order.
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County Registrar	Circuit Court officer who issues default Judgement and also acts as County Sheriff.
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Court Costs	Costs fixed by Court to be paid by the Debtor to the Creditor by way of reimbursement for the legal expenses involved.
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Decree	District Court Judgement.
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Discovery	Debtor's Solicitor seeks copies of relevant documents in Creditor's possession, and visa versa.
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Execution Order	Document to enforce a Circuit Court Judgement.
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Experian Gazette Weekly publication listing, among other things, all Judgements registered that week in Ireland.

Fifa Document to enforce a High Court Judgement.

Folio An official Land Registry document which describes a piece of land, or property, and the ownership burdens thereon etc.

Instalment Order Order handed down by the District Court requiring a Debtor to make debt repayments, by instalments, following the granting of a Judgement.

Judgement

Certificate of.... Document used to effect publication of a Judgement.

Liberty to enter.... The Order which the Master of the High Court makes when confirming that a particular debt is due.

Memorandum of.... The Court Officer's note confirming that a particular Judgement has been granted.

Registration of.... Publication of a Judgement.

Judgement Mortgage A Judgement Registered on deeds to immovable property e.g. Deeds to a house, land

Judgement Mortgage Affidavit Affidavit sworn by Creditor to effect Judgement Mortgage.
