

IN THE FAMILY JUSTICE COURTS OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE

FAMILY JUSTICE COURTS PRACTICE DIRECTIONS 2024

AMENDMENT NO. 1 OF 2026

1. It is notified for general information that amendments have been made to Part 21 and Appendices A and B of the Family Justice Courts Practice Directions 2024. The amendments are summarised below:
 - (a) Amendments to paragraph 171 on Establishment of Electronic Filing Service and appointment of electronic filing service provider;
 - (b) Amendments to paragraph 172 on Appointment of agent to establish service bureau;
 - (c) Amendments to Form 4 (Notice to Contest) of Appendix A;
 - (d) Amendments to Form 71A (Notice of Proceedings to Respondent / Co-Respondent / Named Person / Relevant Person / Non-party who has been served (General)) of Appendix A;
 - (e) Amendments to Form 71B (Notice of Proceedings to Respondent / Co-Respondent / Named Person (Simplified Divorce / Simplified Judicial Separation)) of Appendix A;
 - (f) Amendments to Form 72 (Notice of Proceedings (Advertisement)) of Appendix A;
 - (g) Amendments to Form 77 (Acknowledgement of Service) of Appendix A; and
 - (h) Amendments to Form 151 (Application to be Registered User of the Electronic Filing Service) of Appendix B.
2. The amendments will take effect on 19 January 2026 and will be reflected at <https://epd2024-familyjusticecourts.judiciary.gov.sg> from 19 January 2026.

3. Please find attached a document reflecting the marked-up amendments to the Family Justice Courts Practice Directions 2024.

Dated this 19th day of January 2026

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "YAP YEW CHOON".

KENNETH YAP YEW CHOH
REGISTRAR
FAMILY JUSTICE COURTS

PART 21

ELECTRONIC FILING SERVICES

21B: Electronic Filing under the IELS

171. Establishment of Electronic Filing Service and appointment of electronic filing service provider

In exercise of the powers conferred by Part 28, Rules 3 and 4 of the Family Justice (General) Rules 2024, the Registrar, with the approval of the Chief Justice, has established an Electronic Filing Service known as the Integrated Electronic Litigation System or eLitigation and accessible at <https://www.elitigation.sg> and, ~~has appointed CrimsonLogic Pte Ltd as the Electronic Filing Service provider appoints an Electronic Filing Service provider for this service whose contact details are available at https://www.judiciary.gov.sg/services/elitigation.~~

172. Appointment of agent to establish service bureau

Pursuant to Part 28, Rule 13 of the Family Justice (General) Rules 2024, the Registrar has appointed ~~CrimsonLogic Pte Ltd as~~ an agent to establish a service bureau or service bureaux at such address or addresses in Singapore as may be deemed suitable, ~~whose contact details are available at https://www.judiciary.gov.sg/services/elitigation.~~

APPENDIX A: FORMS FOR USE IN FAMILY JUSTICE (GENERAL) RULES 2024

P.2, r.4, P.7, r.4,
Third Schedule, Part 1,
Division 4, Item 17
FJ(G)R 2024

4.

E-FORM

Notice to Contest

Applicable only to Divorce, Nullity, Judicial Separation and Presumption of Death and Divorce applications.

State the main case number: Enter main case number here.

Notes

Part A

1. I am the:
 Respondent
 Co-Respondent
 Named Person

If you file this Notice as a Named Person and do not agree to the application, you will be joined as a Co-Respondent in the application.

2. I received the Originating Application on: Enter date here.

Dissolution of Marriage

3. The Applicant has applied for [Select the applicable option].
 I **agree** to the application.
 I **do not agree** to the application.

The applicable options are: Divorce / Nullity / Judicial Separation / Presumption of Death and Divorce.

For Respondent, proceed to question 4.

For Co-Respondent and Named Person, proceed to:

- **Part B** if you are acting in-person (i.e. do not have a lawyer representing you).
- **Part C** if you are represented by a lawyer.

Selecting “I agree to the application” means you agree that the marriage is to be dissolved. This does not mean that you agree with the ancillary reliefs which is dealt with separately in paragraph 4.

If you also intend to file an application for dissolution of marriage or challenge the jurisdiction of the Singapore Court, select “I do not agree to the application”. You must file your own Cross-Application (or a summons to dispute jurisdiction if applicable) within the same timeframe for your Reply.

Please refer to paragraph 3 of the Notice of Proceedings (General) (Form 71A).

Ancillary Reliefs

4. I wish to be heard on the following matters:

- Custody of, care and control of, access to the minor child(ren)
- Division of the matrimonial assets
- Maintenance for the wife
- Maintenance for the incapacitated husband
- Maintenance for the child(ren) of the marriage
- Costs
- Others:

Enter information here.

The Court will deal with the following issues if the marriage is dissolved (i.e. the Interim Judgment is granted):

- (a) arrangements for minor child(ren) of the marriage,*
- (b) division of matrimonial assets,*
- (c) maintenance for child(ren) and spouse.*

These are called “ancillary reliefs”.

Proceed to:

- **Part B** if you are acting in-person (i.e. do not have a lawyer representing you).*
- **Part C** if you are represented by a lawyer.*

Part B (To be completed if you are acting in-person)

1. I can receive correspondence at:

You must provide either a Singapore address or your email address.

This information will be completed for you based on your details in Section B in the Originating Application: Generic Sections (Form 53B).

Address (in Singapore)

Enter address here.

Provide the address at which you can receive Court notices. P.O. Boxes are not acceptable.

Email

Enter email address here.

Contact Number(s)

You must provide at least one contact number.

Singapore mobile number

Enter mobile number here.

Singapore residential number

Enter residential number here.

I do not have a Singapore contact number.

2. Do you require interpretation for Court hearings?

No.

Yes. *State which language/dialect:*

In Mandarin Malay Tamil

Chinese dialects: Select a dialect

Should you require the Court to provide a translator in one of these languages, please file a Request for Hearing Administrative Support prior to the Court event.

The applicable options are: Cantonese / Hakka / Hokkien / Teochew.

X

Signature of _____

Name: Enter full name as per NRIC/Passport here.

NRIC/FIN/Passport number: Enter identification no. here.

Date:

Enter date here.

Part C (To be completed if you are represented by a lawyer)

I am represented by a lawyer.

Complete the details below.

Name of lawyer and law firm

Enter name of lawyer and law firm here.

This information will be completed for you based on your details in Section B in the Originating Application: Generic Sections (Form 53B).

Lawyer's address and email address

Enter lawyer's address and email address here.

Lawyer's Contact Number(s)

You must provide at least one contact number.

Mobile:

Enter mobile number here.

Direct line:

Enter number here.

X

Signature of

Counsel for the Enter party type here.

Date:

Enter date here.

Part D: Return the completed Form

Please return the completed Form to:

Details of the other parties / other parties' lawyers will be included in the Form.

*If the other party is represented by a lawyer, you may opt to serve the document through **CrimsonLogie** eLitigation.*

Para 74(4),(6) PD
2024, Third Schedule,
Part 1, Division 4, Item
15 FJ(G)R 2024

Notice of Proceedings to Respondent / Co-Respondent / Named Person¹/ Relevant Person²/ Non-party who has been served (General)

THIS DOCUMENT REQUIRES YOUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION

You may wish to seek legal advice upon receiving this document.

1. An application for [nature of application] has been presented to the Court. A sealed copy of the application is delivered with this Notice.
2. To acknowledge that you have received this document, please complete the **Acknowledgment of Service** (Form 77) and return to the address stated in paragraph 6.

Notes

You may also file the Acknowledgement of Service (Form 77) in Court.

If you	oppose the application	proceed to paragraph 3
	consent to the application	proceed to paragraph 5

To oppose the application

3. If you **oppose** the application, you **must** file the following document(s) in Court:

- a. [reply affidavit (Form 54) within **14 days** (if you received this application in Singapore) or within **28 days** (if you received this application outside of Singapore).] [Option (a) to be used in all applications except:

- (i) an application for dissolution of marriage;
- (ii) application under the International Child Abduction Act 2010 ("ICAA").]

- b. [reply affidavit within **14 days**]
[Option (b) to be used only in ICAA applications.]

If you oppose the issue of costs only, you do not need to file the documents in paragraph 3. Instead, you should submit the Acknowledgment of Service (Form 77) and inform the Court at the next Court hearing.

For options 3(a) to (c)
If you challenge the jurisdiction of the Singapore Court to deal with this application, you must file a summons within the same time-frame for a Reply/reply affidavit.

¹In an Originating Application for Dissolution of Marriage

² In an Originating Application for orders under the Mental Capacity Act 2008 / Originating Application for orders under the Mental Capacity Act 2008 (Variation, rescission, setting aside) / Originating Application for Mental Capacity Act 2008 Orders (General).

c. [Notice to Contest (Form 4) within **14 days** AND Reply (Form 5) within **28 days.**]
[Option (c) to be used in an application for dissolution of marriage.]

d. [First Ancillary Affidavit (Form 15) within **28 days**]
[Option (d) to be used in an application for financial relief after foreign divorce or disposition of assets after Syariah Court divorce.]

e. [a summons (Form 67) to be joined as a party to the proceedings within **14 days.**]
[Option (e) does not apply to a Co-Respondent or a Named Person.]

4. If you do not file the document(s) in paragraph 3 within the time-frame, the Court may, without notice to you, proceed to hear the application and make orders in your absence.

For option 3c, you must also file the Notice to Contest (Form 4) if you intend to challenge the jurisdiction of the Singapore Court.

Option 3(e) is only applicable if you are neither a party nor a Named Person in the action.

All timelines start running from the day after you receive this application. If the timeline ends on a non-working day, the last day to file the document is the next working day.

To consent to the application

5a. If you consent to the application, sign the applicable consent before a Commissioner for Oaths, Notary Public or any person who is authorised to administer oaths:

For Mental Capacity Act 2008 proceedings

Consent (Mental Capacity Act 2008) in Form 108B

For Adoption proceedings

a) **Consent (Relevant Person)** found in the Adoption of Children (General) Regulations 2024; or

If you are a relevant person as defined in section 2 of the Adoption of Children Act 2022.

Applicable only for Originating Application for Adoption of Child. For all other adoption-related applications, please use Consent (General) (Form 108A).

ii) **Consent (General)** in Form 108A

If you are not a relevant person.

For all other proceedings

Consent (General) in Form 108A

5b. Return the signed form in 5a to the party / party's lawyer in paragraph 8 below.

To offer to settle the claim

5c. You may consider sending the other party an **Offer of Amicable Resolution** (Form 50).

If you wish to engage a lawyer

6. If you intend to instruct a lawyer to act for you, you should at once give him all the documents which have been served on you, so that he may complete the relevant forms on your behalf within the time specified above.

If the other party is represented by a lawyer, you may opt to serve the document through CrimsonLogie eLitigation.

Submission (Filing) of documents to Court

7. To file a document in Court, please attend at **CrimsonLogie** Service Bureau

Address: State Courts Tower No. 1 Havelock Square,
Level 2, Singapore 059724

Tel: 65389507

Opening Monday to Friday:

Hours: 8:30am – 12:30pm, 2:00pm – 5:00pm
Saturday: 8.30am - 12.30pm
Closed on Sunday and Public Holidays

8. All documents which you file in Court **must** be served on all other parties at the same time. The address(es) for service is / are:

Enter party type(s) and address(es) here.

Notice of Proceedings to Respondent / Co-Respondent / Named Person³ (Simplified Divorce / Simplified Judicial Separation)

Case No.: (Title as in action)

Filed:

Hearing Date:

Hearing Time:

Hearing Type:

Attend Before:

(Details will be included in the generated Form)

THIS DOCUMENT REQUIRES YOUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION

You may wish to seek legal advice upon receiving this document.

1. An application for an order for [Simplified Divorce / Simplified Judicial Separation] has been presented to the Court. A sealed copy of the application is delivered with this Notice.
- 1b. This application is filed as you have consented to the dissolution of marriage [and the ancillary matters].
2. The hearing date is scheduled as above.
TAKE NOTICE that the hearing of this application may proceed on the scheduled date without any action on your part.
3. If you **oppose** the application, you **must** file the Notice to Contest (Form 4) **IMMEDIATELY** and at least **5 working days** before the hearing date.
4. If you do not file the document(s) in paragraph 3 within the time-frame, the Court may, without notice to you, proceed to hear the application and make orders in your absence.
5. If you intend to instruct a lawyer to act for you, you should at once give him all the documents which have been served on you, so that he may complete the relevant forms on your behalf within the time specified above.

Notes

All timelines start running from the day on which this application is filed. If the timeline ends on a non-working day, the last day to file the document is the next working day.

If the other party is represented by a lawyer, you may opt to serve the document through eLitigation.

³In an Originating Application for Dissolution of Marriage

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Address: State Courts Tower No. 1 Havelock Square,
Level 2, Singapore 059724
Tel: 65389507
Opening Hours: Monday to Friday:
8:30am – 12:30pm, 2:00pm – 5:00pm
Saturday: 8.30am - 12.30pm
Closed on Sunday and Public Holidays

7. All documents which you file in Court **must** be served on all other parties at the same time. The address(es) for service is / are:

Enter address here.

Notice of Proceedings (Advertisement)

To: [Name and ID number of person to be served]

1. [A summons [case number] / [name of document]⁴] in Originating Application No. [case number]
 An Originating Application No. [case number]

has been filed in Court by [name]. You are the [party type of the person to be served] in these proceedings.

2. The Court has ordered that service of the document on you be effected by this advertisement. If you oppose this action, you must file the
 - Notice to Contest (Form 4) within **14 days** AND Reply (Form 5) within **28 days**.
 - Reply Affidavit (Form 54) within **14 days** (if you received this application in Singapore or received an application for orders under the International Child Abduction Act 2010).
 - Reply Affidavit (Form 54) within **28 days** (if you received this application outside of Singapore).
 - First Ancillary Affidavit (Form 15) within **28 days** (if the application is for financial relief orders / disposition of assets).
 - Others: Enter details here

from the publication of this advertisement.

3. If you do not file the document(s) within such time, the Court may, without notice to you, proceed to hear the application and make orders in your absence.
4. To file a document in Court, you must attend at the **CrimsonLogic** Service Bureau. Details can be found at www.crimsonlogic.com <https://www.judiciary.gov.sg/services/elitigation>.

Contact particulars of [name of filing party] / [filing party]'s solicitors

Name of solicitor: Enter name here

Firm name⁵: Enter firm name here

Address: Enter address here

Telephone Number: Enter telephone number here

File Reference Number²: Enter file reference number here

⁴ If you are filing the Notice of Proceedings (Advertisement) for service of court documents other than an Originating Application or a summons in an Originating Application, please complete this form and upload as PDF.

⁵ Only applicable for lawyers.

Acknowledgment of Service

State the main case number: Enter main case number here.

Notes

Part A

I received the following documents:

- Originating Application
- Affidavit
- Others: List other document(s) here.

When did you receive the documents?

Enter date here.

I received the documents in Singapore outside Singapore.

Proceed to:

- **Part B** if you are acting in-person (i.e. do not have a lawyer representing you).
- **Part C** if you are represented by a lawyer.

Part B (To be completed if you are acting in-person)

1. I can receive correspondence at:

You must provide either a Singapore address or your e-mail address.

This information will be completed for you based on your details in Section B in the Originating Application: Generic Sections (Form 53B).

Address (in Singapore)

Enter address here.

Provide the address at which you can receive Court notices. P.O. Boxes are not acceptable.

Email

Enter email address here.

Contact Number(s)

You must provide at least one contact number.

Singapore mobile number

Enter mobile number here.

Singapore residential number

Enter residential number here.

I do not have a Singapore contact number.

2. Do you require interpretation for Court hearings?

No.

Yes. *State which language/dialect:*

In Mandarin Malay Tamil

Chinese dialects : Select a dialect

Should you require the Court to provide a translator in one of these languages, please file a Request for Hearing Administrative Support prior to the Court event.

The applicable options are: Cantonese / Hakka / Hokkien / Teochew.

X

Signature of

Name: Enter full name as per NRIC/Passport here.

NRIC/FIN/Passport number: Enter identification no. here.

Date:

Enter date here.

Part C (To be completed if you are represented by a lawyer)

I am represented by a lawyer.

Complete the details below:

Name of lawyer and law firm

Enter name of lawyer and law firm here.

This information will be completed for you based on your details in Section B in the Originating Application: Generic Sections (Form 53B).

Lawyer's address and email address

Enter lawyer's address and email address here.

Lawyer's Contact Number(s)

You must provide at least one contact number.

Mobile:

Enter mobile number here.

Direct line:

Enter number here.

X

Signature of

Counsel for the Enter party type here.

Date:

Enter date here.

Part D: Return the completed Form

Please return the completed Form to:

Details of the other parties / other parties' lawyers will be included in the Form.

*If the other party is represented by a lawyer, you may opt to serve the document through **CrimsonLogic eLitigation**.*

APPENDIX B: COMMON FORMS FOR USE IN FAMILY JUSTICE (GENERAL) RULES 2024 AND FAMILY JUSTICE (PROBATE AND OTHER MATTERS) RULES 2024

151.

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Para 173 PD 2024

Application to be Registered User of the Electronic Filing Service

[Letterhead of law firm or organisation]

[Enter date here]

The Registrar
Supreme Court
1 Supreme Court Lane
Singapore 178879
(Attn: eLitigation Project Director)

Dear Sirs

APPLICATION TO BE REGISTERED USER OF THE ELECTRONIC FILING SERVICE

I, [Enter name of managing partner / director etc of law practice], am the managing partner/director etc of [Enter name of law practice], [Enter law practice UEN no.], and I am duly authorised to make this application on behalf of [Enter name of law practice].

2. The law practice of [Enter name of law practice] hereby applies to be a registered user of the electronic filing service, eLitigation, established under Order 28 of the Rules of Court 2021 or Part 28 of the Family Justice (General) Rules 2024.
3. As required under Order 28 of the Rules of Court 2021 or Part 28 of the Family Justice (General) Rules 2024, I hereby designate [Enter name of appointed administrator here], NRIC/FIN [Enter NRIC / FIN no. of appointed administrator here], as an authorised user to administer the service on behalf of my law practice. The SingPass identification code of the said authorised user is his or her NRIC/FIN number.
4. A recent business profile report from the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority of [Enter name of law practice], the duly completed application form and subscriber agreement with the designated electronic filing service provider, CrimsonLogic Pte Ltd, for the use of the electronic filing service, eLitigation, and the duly completed application form for interbank GIRO payment facilities for the payment of all fees and charges incurred by my law practice's use of the electronic filing service are annexed hereto.

For Official Use Only

Approved | Rejected

Yours faithfully

[Signature of authorised signatory]

[Name and designation of authorised signatory]

Signature/Date

Name/Designation