## IN THE STATE COURTS OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE

## **REGISTRAR'S CIRCULAR NO. 19 OF 2020**

## EXTENSION OF PILOT PROGRAMMES FOR ASYNCHRONOUS HEARINGS IMPLEMENTED UNDER REGISTRAR'S CIRCULAR NO 12 OF 2020

1. Registrar's Circular No. 12 of 2020 introduced, with effect from 8 June 2020 and in relation to applications made under the Protection from Harassment Act (Cap 256A, 2015 Rev Ed), the dispensation of attendance of counsel and/or parties at specified hearings and the asynchronous processing and hearing of *ex parte* Summonses.

2. As part of the continuing efforts to streamline proceedings and reduce physical hearings, the pilot programme implemented via Registrar's Circular No. 12 of 2020 will be extended from 9 December 2020 to 9 June 2021 (both dates included).

Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December 2020.

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