

IN THE STATE COURTS OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE

REGISTRAR'S CIRCULAR NO. 10 OF 2021

**FURTHER EXTENSION OF PILOT PROGRAMMES FOR ASYNCHRONOUS
HEARINGS IMPLEMENTED UNDER REGISTRAR'S CIRCULARS NOS. 11, 12
AND 13 OF 2020**

1. Registrar's Circulars Nos. 11 and 13 of 2020 introduced, with effect from 8 June 2020 and 13 July 2020 respectively, the dispensation of attendance of counsel and/or parties at specified civil hearings and the asynchronous processing and hearing of various categories of civil interlocutory matters.
2. 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.
3. As part of the continuing efforts to streamline proceedings and reduce physical hearings:
 - (i) the pilot programmes implemented via Registrar's Circular No. 11 of 2020 (and extended by Registrar's Circulars No. 18 of 2020 and No. 5 of 2021) will be extended from 11 December 2021 until further notice;
 - (ii) the pilot programmes implemented via Registrar's Circular No. 12 of 2020 (and extended by Registrar's Circulars No. 19 of 2020 and No. 5 of 2021) will be extended from 11 December 2021 until further notice; and
 - (iii) the pilot programmes implemented via Registrar's Circular No. 13 of 2020 (and extended by Registrar's Circulars No. 18 of 2020 and No. 5 of 2021) will be extended from 16 January 2022 until further notice.

Dated this 7th day of December 2021.



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