## ADMINISTRATIVE NOTICE

## <u>Implementation of the Amendments to</u> **Part 15 (Family Law Proceedings) of** *The Queen's Bench Rules*

On February 19, 2021 the Judges of the Court of Queen's Bench resolved to amend Part 15 of *The Queen's Bench Rules*, which is the Part that applies to all Family Law proceedings. These Amendments are intended to modernize, streamline, and intuitively organize the existing *Rules* and to conform to changes being made to the *Divorce Act* and *The Children's Law Act* that will come into force on March 1, 2021.

Although the Amendments to Part 15 have been passed, they have yet to be formally implemented because of the need for them to be translated into French and formally published in the Gazette.

Since the legislation that prompted some of the changes to Part 15 will come into force before the *Rules* will be formally promulgated, the Court will be adopting and applying, as required, certain provisions of the new and yet to be formally promulgated *Rules* to address matters that come before the Court so as to ensure compliance with the legislative amendments.

Accordingly, effective March 1, 2021, the current *Rules* remain in full force and effect; however, the general procedure and practice in the yet to be promulgated *Rules*, found on the Court's website at:

https://sasklawcourts.ca/index.php/home/court-of-queen-s-bench/rules-and-practice-directives

will be adopted and applied, with necessary modification, to allow counsel, the parties and the Court to comply and conform with the legislative enactments that will come into full force and effect on March 1, 2021.

This Administrative Notice covers the period between March 1, 2021 and the date upon which the Amendments to Part 15 of the *Rules* come into force.

This Administrative Notice was issued on February 22, 2021.

Chief Just ce/M. D. Popescul

Court of Queen's Bench for Saskatchewan