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Dear Member,

Please see below for a message from Katie Robinette (Executive Director | FOLA) regarding an update to the scheduling of family law matters in the Ontario Court of Justice, effective January 14, 2021.

*Thank you,  
Peel Law Association*

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The COVID-19: Scheduling of Family Law Matters at the OCJ has been revised. For more information, please see: <https://ontariocourts.ca/ocj/covid-19/covid-19-family-matters/>

In light of Ontario's Emergency Order, the new Scheduling of Family Law Matters directive eliminates the reference to certain appearances being presumptively in person and waives the requirement to file sworn documents, beyond unsworn affidavits of service.

Electronically signed documents are acceptable for filing. There is an additional resource by Pro Bono Students Canada for litigants who are unable to afford a lawyer but do not qualify for LAO services. The new Scheduling directive is effective as of January 14, 2021.

Katie W. Robinette

Executive Director

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