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PUBLIC NOTICE 1 of 2021 – COVID-19

31 JANUARY 2021

This Public Notice is in addition to the Public Notice issued by the Chief Justice of Western Australia on 31 January 2021. The following directions in relation to the business of the Family Court of Western Australia are effective immediately.

Hearings

All hearings and conferences listed for the week beginning 1 February 2021 are **vacated**, unless the parties concerned are contacted directly by a Court officer and advised that the hearing will proceed. All parties whose matters have been vacated will be notified by the Court as soon as practicable in relation to the relisting of their matter.

Attendance at the Court Building

Parties, lawyers and other members of the public must not attend the Court in person during the lockdown period. Any duty matter which is listed will be conducted by telephone or audio-visual means.

Registry / Court Services

During the week commencing 1 February 2021, a duty Registrar, duty Magistrate and duty Judge will be available to deal with any urgent duty matters.

All front counter services, including the drop box, the public use computer kiosk and the subpoena office will be closed for the week. Documents can continue to be lodged for filing electronically via the Commonwealth Courts Portal or by post.

Parties and lawyers are advised to continue to monitor the Court's website for further information and updates.

Gail Sutherland

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "G Sutherland".

Chief Judge

Family Court of Western Australia