



FAMILY COURT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

INFORMATION NOTE

Following changes to the law in relation to same-sex marriages, amendments to forms used in the Family Court of Western Australia (“FCWA”) are required. Pending these amendments, modifications of forms to describe parties as “husband”, “wife”, “spouse” or “other” are approved for use in the FCWA.

Parties to overseas same-sex marriages who meet the criteria for divorce in accordance with Australian law are now able to apply for divorce in the FCWA. Such applications cannot currently be made online using the Commonwealth Courts Portal. As an interim measure, parties must use the hard copy forms that can be modified as set out above.

The forms are available at www.familycourt.wa.gov.au and paper copies are also available from the FCWA Registry at 150 Terrace Road, Perth.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Stephen Thackray".

**STEPHEN THACKRAY
CHIEF JUDGE
FAMILY COURT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA
11 December 2017**