

COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH OF MANITOBA

PRACTICE DIRECTION

RE: FAMILY PROCEEDINGS: FOREIGN JURISDICTIONS MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES

Concern was raised respecting the order in which names appear on foreign jurisdiction marriage certificates.

Court Registry is responsible to accurately and effectively register divorce proceedings filed in Manitoba with Justice Canada's Central Registry Divorce Proceedings Registry. Granting a divorce may be delayed if the party names are not reflected properly in the title of proceedings.

When filing an initiating proceeding in the Court of Queen's Bench (Family Division), the petitioner must state the names of the petitioner and respondent by first, middle, and last name, regardless of the order in which the names may appear on the petitioner's *Certificate of Marriage*.

If the names stated in the title of proceeding do not appear in the above noted order, the deputy registrar may reject the document(s).

ISSUED BY:

**Kelly L. Wilson, Provincial Registrar
(Manitoba)**

DATE: June 25, 2013