

NOTICE

COURT OF KING'S BENCH OF MANITOBA

RE: AMENDMENTS TO THE COURT OF KING'S BENCH RULES

On May 8, 2023, The King's Bench Statutory Rules Committee met and approved King's Bench Rule Amendments dealing with Rule 70 Family Division Amendments, Family Division Forms, as well as an amendment to Rule 4.10(1).

The full text of the amendments in Manitoba Regulation numbers 37/2023 and 39/2023 can be located at:

http://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/regs/index_annual.php

The King's Bench Rule 70 Amendments are required:

1. To align with the anticipated changes flowing from the replacement of *The Family Maintenance Act* with *The Family Law Act* and *The Family Support Enforcement Act* under Bill 17. Bill 17 received Royal Assent on June 1, 2022, and is expected to be proclaimed into force this year;
2. To make certain minor adjustments to the Family Division Case Management Model; and
3. To make certain minor housekeeping changes.

King's Bench Rule 4.10(1) is amended to add a new sub paragraph, Rule 4.10(1)(f.1), to permit lawyers and staff with The Law Society of Manitoba to have access to family proceeding files without the necessity of requesting a court order.

The Rule 70 amendments come into force upon proclamation of *The Family Law Act* and *The Family Support Enforcement Act*. The amendment to Rule 4.10 comes into force immediately.

ISSUED BY:
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**The Honourable Justice James Edmond
Chair, King's Bench Rules Committee
(Manitoba)**

DATE: May 17, 2023