**Practice Notification (Family Law)**

**Central East Region**

Effective immediately, Applications to commence family law proceedings, and Motions to Change, will be accepted for electronic filing through the following Court Services Division electronic addresses:

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| **Centre** | **CSD Mailbox** |
| Barrie | BarrieSCJFamily@ontario.ca |
| Bracebridge | Bracebridge.courts@ontario.ca |
| Orillia | Orillia.courts@ontario.ca |
| Newmarket | NewmarketSCJFamily@ontario.ca |
| Oshawa | DurhamSCJFamily@ontario.ca |
| Cobourg | Cobourg.court@ontario.ca |
| Peterborough | PeterboroughSCJFamily@ontario.ca |
| Lindsay | Lindsay.courts@ontario.ca |

All counsel, and also all self-represented parties who are able to file their Applications and Motions to Change electronically, are expected to do so, in order to minimize foot traffic at the courthouses during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Payment of the applicable fee must be made upon filing, by sending a cheque to the courthouse, payable to the Minister of Finance and quoting the file number.

A self-represented party who does not have access to the Internet or who is unable to use it to file the Application or Motion to Change may attend at the courthouse to do so.

A self-represented party who needs assistance can contact Legal Aid Ontario at 1-800-668-8258.

It may also be possible to obtain assistance by calling the Law Society of Ontario at Toll-free: 1-800-268-7568; General: 416-947-3310.

Dated June 4, 2020

 

Justice Michelle Fuerst

Regional Senior Judge,

Superior Court of Justice, Central East Region