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INTERNATIONAL CHILD ABDUCTION ACT
(CHAPTER 143C)

INTERNATIONAL CHILD ABDUCTION
(APPLICATION OF LEGISLATION
RELATING TO LEGAL AID AND LEGAL ADVICE)
(AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2019

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 20 of the International Child Abduction Act, the Minister for Law makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the International Child Abduction (Application of Legislation relating to Legal Aid and Legal Advice) (Amendment) Regulations 2019 and come into operation on 31 May 2019.

Amendment of regulation 3

2. Regulation 3 of the International Child Abduction (Application of Legislation relating to Legal Aid and Legal Advice) Regulations 2011 (G.N. No. S 74/2011) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended by inserting, immediately after the words “Part I” in paragraph (a), the words “(except section 3(4)(b))”.

Amendment of regulation 4

3. Regulation 4 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting paragraph (a) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(a) subsections (1), (1A), (1B) and (4) of that section do not apply;”.

Amendment of regulation 7

4. Regulation 7 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “legal aid certificate is granted” and substituting the words “Grant of Aid is issued”.

New regulation 7A

5. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting, immediately after regulation 7, the following regulation:

“Modification of section 20 of Legal Aid and Advice Act

7A. Section 20 of the Legal Aid and Advice Act (Cap. 160) has effect with the following modifications:

- (a) subsections (1) and (2) of that section do not apply;
- (b) instead, on the application of any person who is a citizen of, or habitually resident in, Singapore or a Contracting State —
 - (i) the Director or an authorised solicitor may provide oral advice to the person on the law of Singapore in connection with the Convention; or
 - (ii) the Director may provide the person assistance with the preparation of an application by the person for legal aid under Part IV of the International Child Abduction Act (Cap. 143C).”.

Amendment of regulation 9

6. Regulation 9 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “shall, with such modifications and adaptations as are specified in regulation 10,”.

Deletion of regulations 10 and 11

7. Regulations 10 and 11 of the principal Regulations are deleted.

Amendment of regulation 12

8. Regulation 12(2) of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “section 9(1)” in sub-paragraph (b) and substituting the words “section 22A(1)”.

Made on 28 May 2019.

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