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## WOMEN'S CHARTER 1961

# WOMEN'S CHARTER (MEDIATION, COUNSELLING AND FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMMES — PRESCRIBED PERSONS) RULES 2022

#### ARRANGEMENT OF RULES

### Rule

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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 180(1) of the Women's Charter 1961, the Minister for Social and Family Development makes the following Rules:

## Citation and commencement

**1.** These Rules are the Women's Charter (Mediation, Counselling and Family Support Programmes — Prescribed Persons) Rules 2022 and come into operation on 30 December 2022.

### Parties to whom section 139I applies

**2.** For the purpose of section 139I(1)(b)(ii) of the Act, the prescribed class of persons is all parties who have one or more children below 21 years of age.

## Persons who may be advised to attend family support programmes under section 139I

3. For the purpose of section 139I(2)(b)(iii) of the Act, the prescribed class of persons is any person who, in relation to a child of the parties —

- (*a*) is a guardian of the child appointed under the Guardianship of Infants Act 1934;
- (b) regularly has the charge of, or control over the child (whether solely or jointly with one or more persons); or
- (c) is able to exercise a significant influence over
  - (i) how a party parents the child; or
  - (ii) the physical, mental, social or psychological wellbeing of the child.

## Persons who may be advised to attend family support programmes under section 139J

4. For the purpose of section 139J(2)(c)(iii) of the Act, the prescribed class of persons is, if the parties have any children, any person who —

- (*a*) is a guardian of the child appointed under the Guardianship of Infants Act 1934;
- (b) regularly has the charge of, or control over the child (whether solely or jointly with one or more persons); or
- (c) is able to exercise a significant influence over
  - (i) how a party parents the child; or
  - (ii) the physical, mental, social or psychological wellbeing of the child.

Made on 16 December 2022.

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(To be presented to Parliament under section 180(2) of the Women's Charter 1961).