

Legal Roundup - December 2021

Recent Legal News

- The President of the Family has issued two memoranda setting out the approach for drafting orders and how witness statements should be prepared for use in the Family Courts.

The full memorandums can be accessed here:

- [President of the Family Division: Drafting Orders | Courts and Tribunals Judiciary](#)
- [President of the Family Division: Witness Statements | Courts and Tribunals Judiciary](#)
- A reminder that the Domestic Abuse Act came in to force in April 2021; although not all provisions of the Act are in force - [this table](#) provides the commencement dates for each provision of the act.
- Membership of the Family Transparency Implementation Group has been announced; here is [a table of the members](#).

Did you know.....

Did you know that the prohibition, provided for in [section 97 of the Children Act 1989](#), on publishing **to the public at large** any information that would lead to the identification of a child as the subject of proceedings, comes to an end once the proceedings are concluded, unless the court makes a specific order.