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To our valued clients, friends and business partners:

COVID-19 – FAMILY LAW CONTINUITY UPDATE

The Swaab Family Law team are working remotely and are just a phone call away. We are still available to assist you with any questions you have about your property or parenting concerns.

At the moment there are real concerns about current parenting orders and how they operate in the COVID-19 climate. It is possible to vary or suspend current Orders and there are also circumstances where non-compliance with Orders can be acceptable if that non-compliance is reasonable. Parents are required to do all possible to ensure that there is compliance with orders made by the family court but at the same time the safety of the child must always come first.

If you do not have Orders about your children and are concerned about the current or future arrangements, it is important to speak to a family lawyer to understand your options and what can be done.

The Family Court is still operating. There has been change as a result of the self-isolating rules which are in place for the protection of the community. The Hearings and Court attendances are being conducted by telephone or video link. Urgent matters are still being dealt with and the Court continues to operate to move people towards a final resolution of their disputes.

If, after discussing your concerns about property, your access to finances, your living circumstances or children your family lawyer considers that your circumstances would be best dealt with by a Court, then such an application can be filed without impediment.

We are still able to conduct mediations and confidential client interviews via various electronic means including video link.

If you need our assistance at this time please do not hesitate to contact any member of our experienced Family Law team.

Kind regards

The Family Law Team

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