STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2013 No. 3204

The Family Procedure (Amendment No.3) Rules 2013

Amendments to the Family Procedure Rules 2010

29. After rule 9.18, insert—

"Request for change of procedure

9.18A.—(1) This rule applies if the applicant wishes to seek a direction from the court that the procedure in Chapter 4 of this Part should apply to an application for an order in proceedings referred to in rule 9.18(A1).

(2) The application for the order must state—

- (a) that the applicant seeks a direction that the procedure in Chapter 4 of this Part should apply; and
- (b) the applicant's reasons for seeking such a direction.
- (3) The court will—
 - (a) determine without notice to the parties and before the first hearing whether the procedure in Chapter 4 or Chapter 5 of this Part should apply to the application; and
 - (b) notify the parties of its determination and any directions made in consequence of that determination.".