

August 2021 Newsletter

Arbitration Course update

As you may be aware, the Family Law Section of the Law Council of Australia has made the difficult decision to postpone the 19th National Family Law Conference which was to run in Adelaide from 12 – 15 September 2021. The AIFLAM Arbitration Course was scheduled to run face to face immediately prior to the Conference, on 10 and 11 September.

With the postponement of the Conference, and the ongoing uncertainty in relation to travel and restrictions, we will now convert the September AIFLAM Arbitration Course to an online format, presented via Zoom.

We have presented several arbitration courses very successfully in the online format over the last 18 months, with excellent feedback from course participants.

The presenters remain the Honourable Justice Strickland, Dr Jacoba Brasch QC, Martin Bartfeld AM QC and Andrew Davies.

For full details of the September online course and to register, click here.

The National Conference is now scheduled for 27 – 30 March 2022 in Adelaide.

AIFLAM will run a face-to-face Arbitration Course immediately prior to the Conference on 25 and 26 March. If your preference is to undertake your training in this format, this course is also open for registrations <u>here.</u>

Mediation Course update

Our next **NMAS Re-accreditation Day** will run on Wednesday 3 November 2021 online via Zoom.

For those members who have been unable to meet the NMAS re-accreditation requirements (CPD or mediation hours), this program offers the opportunity to re-accredit pursuant to the NMAS. Please note that this is a re-accreditation day, and registration is only open to those currently seeking to <u>re-accredit</u> their AIFLAM NMAS Accreditation.

For full details and to register please click here.

Our next **NMAS Mediation Training Course** will run over 5 days from 22 – 26 November 2021 online via Zoom.

The course will be presented by Associate Professor Jill Howieson and Dr Darren Moroney of the University of WA Mediation Clinic and Belle Lane, a highly experienced barrister and nationally accredited Mediator and Arbitrator at the Victorian Bar. Senior AIFLAM family law accredited mediators will also be assisting to provide coaching and assessment.

Over the course of the program participants will become familiar with the AIFLAM model of facilitative mediation and develop a range of skills and capabilities to practice family law mediation with confidence and professionalism. The course is interactive and practical – participants will engage in role-plays both as a mediator and as a party to experience fully the dynamics of mediation.

Successful completion of the course will enable participants to apply for accreditation as AIFLAM NMAS Accredited Mediators. For full details and to register please click <u>here.</u>

Register now, don't miss out. Most of our online courses over the past year have been fully subscribed with waitlists. _

If you have any questions regarding any of the courses, or difficulty with registration, please contact AIFLAM at mail@aiflam.org.au_

Family Dispute Resolution Practitioners – important reminder

A reminder that our FDRP complaints process has been approved by the Attorney-General's Department.

Please note that if you are an FDRP, you are required to nominate an approved complaints handling body.

If you have nominated AIFLAM, please ensure you have updated your details in the member portal to reflect this nomination, as well as advising the AGD. To access the member portal please click <u>here</u>.

AIFLAM Membership

Your Membership Renewal and Profile

Thank you to the many AIFLAM members who have renewed their membership for 2021-22.

If you have not already done so, please login to your member profile to renew your membership. To access your membership please click <u>here</u>.

Please also take this opportunity to ensure that the details we hold for you are accurate and up to date. It is important that you have ticked the correct boxes for arbitrator, mediator (including fixed fee) or FDRP to ensure your details are included in search results from the website.

Kind regards

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Andrew Davies AIFLAM Chair