NOTICE TO PROFESSION CHANGES TO THE FAMILY LAW RULES IN FORCE AUGUST 1 & SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

Please note that O. Reg. 373/20 has amended the Family Law Rules and court forms as follows:

Effective August 1, 2020:

- Under rule 1.2:
 - Parties must redact all identifying financial account numbers and personal identification numbers from a document before filing it with the court, but after serving it on the other party (for example, social insurance numbers, bank account numbers, credit card numbers, etc.).
 - Parties must ensure that the unredacted version of a document is accessible at every hearing and provided to the judge upon request.
- Under subrule 6(2), parties can use email for regular service of documents (but not special service) without needing the other party's consent or a court order.

Effective September 1, 2020:

- The forms that must be completed and filed to start a motion to change or to respond to a motion to change have been updated:
 - Form 15: Motion to Change has been amended.
 - Form 15B: Response to Motion to Change has been amended.
 - Form 15A: Change Information Form has been revoked.
- Previous versions of Forms 15 and 15B will be accepted for a short grace period until December 1, 2020.

Please note that this explanation is not intended to be a substitute for reading the Family Law Rules and these amendments in their entirety.