

#### LEADERSHIP IN FAMILY LAW

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The Executive Director Australian Law Reform Commission GPO Box 3708 SYDNEY NSW 2001

By Email: info@alrc.gov.au and familylaw@alrc.gov.au

Dear Executive Director,

#### RE: SUBMISSIONS INTO REVIEW OF THE FAMILY LAW SYSTEM - ISSUES PAPER (IP 48)

I write in my capacity as President of the Family Law Practitioners Association of Queensland ("FLPA").

FLPA Queensland is an organisation of nearly 1,000 members comprising family lawyers, family consultants, social scientist and other allied professionals working in the family law system and our membership is a relevant stakeholder interested in the Issues Paper released on 14 March 2018.

FLPA Queensland has been involved in consultations with the ALRC Part Time Commissioner Geoffrey Sinclair recently and also with the Family Law Section of the Law Council of Australia ("FLS"), who have sought FLPA's feedback on the proposed submissions to the ALRC Issues Paper.

Several of our board has considered the document prepared by the FLS containing the proposed policy responses by the Family Law Section to each of the 47 questions in the ALRC issues paper and provided the FLS with feedback.

FLPA unreservedly supports the FLS submission. Given the very extensive and considered draft submissions made by the FLS, FLPA Queensland does not propose to make a detailed submission to the ALRC.

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FLPA's endorsement of the approach and submissions of the FLS, to be considered by the ALRC, serves to confirm the consistency of approach within the family law profession.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly on you have any queries as to FLPA's endorsement of the FLS's submissions.

Yours sincerely,

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