

# Family Law Settlement Service (FLSS)

## Tips and Advice

- The FLSS can be used for both property and parenting matters.
- Disputes can be referred to the FLSS at any stage and parties can use the service even if they don't have a matter before the Courts.
- Parties are encouraged to use the FLSS Pro Forma Consent Orders available [here](#).
- The Pro Forma Consent Orders can be varied or amended by the parties to be tailored to suit their individual circumstances.

-For example, if the parties agree to a certain geographical location for the mediation to take place, the Pro Forma Consent Orders may be amended to reflect this.

-Another example might be that the matter be referred to an agreed upon mediator from the FLSS Panel. In circumstances where this is included, we ask that you also provide an alternative should the preferred mediator be unavailable.

- A list of the current FLSS panellists can be found [here](#).
- It is also acceptable for parties to arrive at an agreed upon list of mediators, of which they would like us to refer their matter out to. Parties may include a list of three (3) to five (5) mediators from the FLSS Panel. We ask that parties refrain from listing mediators they do not want.
- We would also ask that parties keep in mind when preparing their list that parenting matters must be referred to a Family Dispute Resolution Practitioner (FDRP). Please refer to the lists of panellists to ensure any nominated mediator is a FDRP (for parenting disputes).

We are always looking for ways to improve and grow the FLSS. If you have any questions, suggestions, concerns and/or feedback about the FLSS, we want to hear from you.

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