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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 25, 2023

TO: The Profession and Self-Represented Litigants

FROM: The London Family Court Bench

RE: September 2023 Settlement Conference Blitz

There are a disproportionately large number of matters on the September trial sittings. If your matter is not called to trial, it will be carried over into the months that follow.

The London Family Court Bench will be hosting a settlement conference blitz the week of September 18 to 22, 2023. Approximately 25 settlement conferences will be scheduled.

If you have a matter on the September trial sittings that you think may benefit from an exit settlement conference, please contact Trial Coordination so that we may schedule same. Please contact Trial Coordination on or before **August 25, 2023**, providing the case name, file number and, if applicable, the consent of the parties to participate in the settlement conference.

The settlement conference will be scheduled at any point during the week of September 18, 2023. It is expected that you will be available on the date selected. The goal of the exit settlement conference is to resolve all issues in dispute or narrow issues for trial. Settlement conference briefs are **required** to identify the issues in dispute <u>and</u> where the parties are apart. Briefs are due in accordance with the timelines set out in the *Family Law Rules*.

After August 25, 2023, and assuming we have spots, the court will select matters to proceed to a mandatory exit settlement conference and you will be informed of same from Trial Coordination.

Thank you for you attention to this matter.

The London Family Court Bench