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To Members of the Malaysian Bar

**Pilot Project on Court-Referred Family Mediation in  
Kuala Lumpur, Shah Alam, Penang and Johor**

The Bar Council Family Law Committee (“FLC”) is pleased to inform Members that they are working with the Judiciary to run a pilot project on family mediation, known as *Program Mediasi Mahkamah Tinggi Keluarga (Pro Bono)* (“Pilot Project”).

Following a meeting with the Registrar of the High Court of Malaya, Nik Nasimah bt Nik Mohammad on 18 Sept 2026, FLC has been informed that the Chief Justice, YAA Tun Wan Ahmad Farid b Wan Salleh has approved the Pilot Project.

The project will run for 12 months and will commence on **2 Nov 2026 (Monday)**.

Under the Pilot Project, the relevant family law cases — as identified by the courts — will be referred to trained Family Mediators.

The Pilot Project will be rolled out in the following High Courts:

- (1) Kuala Lumpur;
- (2) Shah Alam, Selangor;
- (3) Penang; and
- (4) Johor Bahru, Johor.

The Judiciary will identify cases that are appropriate for mediation. The court will then refer those cases to the Family Mediators, all of whom are volunteers, under the Pilot Project.

The Family Mediators will conduct the mediations on a *pro bono* basis.

All Family Mediators are accredited mediators of the Malaysian International Mediation Centre (“MIMC”) who have also received specialised training in family mediation.

Mediation offers families a less adversarial way to resolve disputes. It allows parties to reach outcomes they have agreed on themselves, which is especially valuable where children and ongoing family relationships are involved.

FLC believes the Pilot Project will help the courts reduce the backlog of family cases. Hence, Members acting in family matters in the participating courts are encouraged to support the Pilot Project by pursuing mediation with Family Mediators, which is an additional option to the court-annexed mediation.



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Thank you.

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