

Queensland

# Attorney-General and Other Legislation Amendment Regulation 2024

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# Part 1 Preliminary

#### 1 Short title

This regulation may be cited as the Attorney-General and Other Legislation Amendment Regulation 2024.

#### 2 Commencement

Part 3 commences on 1 April 2024.

## Part 2 Amendment of Attorney-General Regulation 2021

#### 3 Regulation amended

This part amends the Attorney-General Regulation 2021.

#### 4 Amendment of s 2 (Application for fiat—Act, s 9A)

Section 2(3)—

omit, insert—

- (3) The application must be accompanied by the following documents—
  - (a) a copy of the originating process, or proposed originating process, for the proceeding;
  - (b) a certificate signed by counsel stating—
    - (i) that the applicant can not obtain complete relief if the fiat is not granted; and

(ii)	that	the	originating	process,	or		
	propo	posed	originating	process,	is		
	appropriate for the fiat; and						

- (iii) if the fiat is to start a proceeding—that it is appropriate to start the proceeding in the Attorney-General's name; and
- (iv) if the fiat is to continue a proceeding—
  - (A) the stage of the proceeding; and
  - (B) that it is appropriate to continue the proceeding in the Attorney-General's name;
- (c) an opinion from counsel as to the prospects of success of the proceeding, detailing the facts of the case and explaining the proceeding;
- (d) a certificate signed by the applicant's solicitor stating that the applicant is an appropriate person to act as relator in the proceeding;
- (e) a document signed by the applicant or the applicant's solicitor undertaking that—
  - (i) the proceeding is at the sole risk and cost of the applicant; and
  - (ii) the applicant will pay all of the Attorney-General's costs of the proceeding, including any costs payable by the Attorney-General to a party; and
  - (iii) the applicant indemnifies the Attorney-General for the proceeding; and
  - (iv) the applicant will give the Attorney-General copies of all pleadings and other court documents for the proceeding; and

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- (v) the applicant will not do any of the following without the prior approval of the Attorney-General—
  - (A) amend the originating process for the proceeding;
  - (B) discontinue the proceeding or withdraw part of it;
  - (C) withdraw all or part of any answer to a counterclaim in the proceeding;
  - (D) settle all or part of the proceeding.

## Part 3 Amendment of Trust Accounts Regulation 1999

### 5 Regulation amended

This part amends the Trust Accounts Regulation 1999.

### 6 Replacement of pts 1A and 2

Parts 1A and 2-

omit, insert—

# Part 2 Supervising entity

## 2 Supervising entity for trustees—Act, s 4E

For section 4E(2) of the Act, the registrar of funeral benefit businesses under the *Funeral Benefit Business Act 1982*, section 6, is declared to be the supervising entity for a trustee.

Note—

See also the *Funeral Benefit Business Act 1982*, section 80.

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### 7 Amendment of s 10 (Disbursements)

- (1) Section 10(2) *omit.*
- (2) Section 10(5), '(3) or (4)' *omit, insert*—

(2) or (3)

(3) Section 10(3) to (5)—*renumber* as section 10(2) to (4).

#### 8 Amendment of s 28 (Prescribed amount)

Section 28, from 'insurance'-

omit, insert—

insurance in an amount not less than \$250,000.

9 Insertion of new pt 6, div 1A

Part 6, before division 1-

insert—

## Division 1A Preliminary

#### **28A Definitions for part**

In this part—

*former*, for a provision of the Act, means the provision as in force immediately before the commencement.

Note-

See also section 46(1) of the Act.

former trustee see section 44 of the Act.

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#### 10 Amendment of s 29 (Prescribed security)

Section 29, before 'section'-

insert—

former

#### 11 Amendment of s 30 (When payment may be made)

(1) Section 30(1)(a)—

omit, insert—

- (a) a former trustee has given a security to the chief executive under former section 31(2) of the Act; and
- (2) Section 30(1)(b) and (c), before 'trustee'—

insert—

former

(3) Section 30(2) and (3), before 'trustee's'—

insert—

former

# 12 Amendment of s 31 (Public notice of intention to make a payment)

(1) Section 31(2)(a)(i), before 'trustee's' insert—

former

(2) Section 31(2)(a)(ii) and (iii) and (b), before 'trustee' insert—

former

(3) Section 31(3), from 'given'—

omit, insert—

published on the department's website.

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#### **13** Amendment of s 32 (Application for payment)

(1) Section 32(1), 'a trustee' *omit, insert*—

a former trustee

(2) Section 32(1)(a)(ii), 'claimant's' omit, insert—

former

#### 14 Amendment of s 33 (Payment to more than 1 person)

(1) Section 33(1)(a), before 'trustee's' insert—

former

(2) Section 33(2), before 'trustee' insert—

former

#### 15 Replacement of pt 6, div 3

Part 6, division 3—

**Division 3** 

omit, insert—

# Application of Act, former s 31 to former trustees

#### 34 Application of Act, former s 31

For former section 31(7) of the Act—

- (a) the prescribed trustees are former trustees; and
- (b) former section 31 of the Act, to the extent it would, but for this paragraph, require the former trustees to lodge with the chief

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executive a statement or security from the commencement, does not apply to the former trustees.

Note-

See also section 46 of the Act.

## Division 4 Expiry

#### 35 Expiry of part

This part expires on 1 April 2026.

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Endnotes

#### ENDNOTES

- 1 Made by the Governor in Council on 21 March 2024.
- 2 Notified on the Queensland legislation website on 22 March 2024.
- 3 The administering agency is the Department of Justice and Attorney-General.

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