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FOR INFORMATION

See Annexure A

Dear Sir/Madam

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AMENDMENTS TO THE LEGAL AID GUIDE 2012

Notice is hereby given that the board of Legal Aid South Africa has approved the following amendments to the 2012 Legal Aid Guide (12th edition). The amendment set out below will come into effect from 27 April 2013, being the date determined for the implementation of the Harassment Act 17 of 2011. The underlining of words indicates the insertion of new text.

1. CHAPTER 4

1.1 Paragraph 4.9.2 page 55

**4.9.2 MAINTENANCE₁ AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND
HARASSMENT CASES**

√ In maintenance₁ and domestic violence and harassment cases, Legal Aid SA may provide indigent legal aid applicants with:

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1.2 Paragraph 4.18.7 page 71

(f) Harassment Act

Legal aid may be granted to a child in a harassment matter where it is required to protect the best interest of a child and if substantial injustice would otherwise result.

⇒ See Harassment Act 17 of 2011

Yours faithfully



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