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REMINDER: NEW EDITION OF THE LAND TITLES REGISTRATION PRACTICE MANUAL AND EVIDENCE FOR CHANGE OF NAME BY MARRIAGE

New Edition of the Land Titles Registration Practice Manual

I am pleased to advise that as at 22 November 2013, edition 11.0 of the *Land Titles Registration Practice Manual* has been published on Landgate's website.

Substantial changes have been made to this new edition. Refer to the *Changes Since Previous Edition* section found in the front of the manual.

Visit http://www.landgate.wa.gov.au/corporate.nsf/web/Landgate+Practice+Manuals for an online copy of the manual.

Evidence for Change of Name by Marriage

The Registrar and Commissioner of Titles have introduced changes to the supporting evidence required to effect a change for a registered proprietor's name, and in respect of the Verification of Identity (VOI) Practice and other documentation and evidence.

To further mitigate fraud in the Land Titles Register, changes have been made to the evidence provisions associated with the production of marriage certificates.

On and after **1 January 2014**, an original certificate issued by a Marriage Celebrant (Bridal Copy) will <u>not</u> be accepted as evidence. Where reference is made to a marriage certificate in the *Land Titles Registration Practice Manual* and other guides/reference material published by Landgate, this reference is to a certified marriage certificate issued by the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages or the equivalent from another jurisdiction of origin.

Examples of where this type of evidence is required include:

- Application for Change of Name
- Transfer of Land (as Transferor)
- Other Transfer of Land Act and Land Administration Act documents, and
- Supporting Evidence (e.g. statutory declaration, will, deed, court order).

Please refer to paragraph 3.5.5 and Table 2 in paragraph 14.3.2 of the *Land Titles Registration Practice Manual*.

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