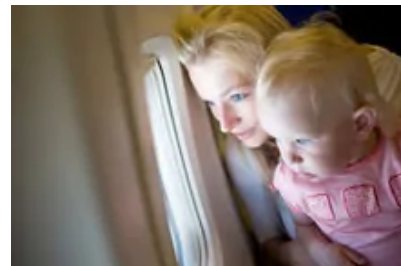


IMPORTANT UPDATE: NATIONWIDE RECOGNITION OF A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ORDER

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A Domestic Violence Order issued on or after 25 November 2017, will now automatically be recognised nationwide. This means that it is no longer the case that an aggrieved to a Domestic Violence Order will need to register that order in each State and or Territory which the person resides.



For orders made before 25 November 2017 – it is the situation that if you are planning to travel or move to a State or Territory different to the one where your order was issued, you can have your order “declared” a National Domestic Violence Order. In Queensland, you can do this by making an application to a Magistrates Court

Further, Domestic Violence Orders made from 25 November 2017 can then be enforced across all States and Territories in Australia.

An order which has not been declared a National Domestic Violence Order will only be enforceable in the State or Territory where it was issued.

This is wonderful news and has been a long time coming for domestic and family violence victims. One of the struggles for implementing this nationwide recognition was ensuring all States and Territories have access to the same database system.

An informative podcast on Domestic Violence, offering practical tips on how to file applications, what to expect from court