

More experiments in the family courts - another pilot programme for property settlement announced

Lawyers and separating couples who have property settlement applications before the Court in Brisbane may have already met Registrar Turnbull and the Discrete Property List pilot programme.

Well there is another trial programme being piloted in Brisbane for property matters.

Separated couples whose property pool is less than \$500,000 are being diverted to the government's new Small Claims Property Pilot. Why? This programme 'aims to ensure families do not exhaust their limited assets on legal expenses'. It is also another attempt to streamline the Court's procedures, reduce caseload and thus reduce delay and expense for people seeking access to the Courts for property settlement.

The Small Claims Property Pilot will commence in January 2020 in Brisbane, Parramatta, Adelaide and Melbourne. The Pilot will run for 2 years.

For assistance in navigating property settlement matter, contact our experienced family law team on 5576 9999



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<https://www.attorneygeneral.gov.au/media/media-releases/pilot-program-save-time-and-money-separating-couples-29-november-2019>