## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 1991 No. 1247

## The Family Proceedings Rules 1991

## PART II

### MATRIMONIAL CAUSES

### Trial etc

#### Respondent's statement as to arrangements for children

**2.38.**—(1) A respondent on whom there is served a statement in accordance with rule 2.2(2) may, whether or not he agreed that statement, file in the court office a written statement of his views on the present and proposed arrangements for the children, and on receipt of such a statement from the respondent the proper officer shall send a copy to the petitioner.

(2) Any such statement of the respondent's views shall, if practicable, be filed within the time limited for giving notice of intention to defend and in any event before the district judge considers the arrangements or proposed arrangements for the upbringing and welfare of the children of the family under section 41(1) of the Act of 1973(1).

(1) Section 41 was substituted by the Children Act 1989 (c. 41), Schedule 12, paragraph 31.