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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1997 No. 1964**

**The Land Registration (Matrimonial Home Rights) Rules 1997**

**PART I**

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Rules may be cited as the Land Registration (Matrimonial Home Rights) Rules 1997 and shall come into force on 1st October 1997.

**Interpretation**

2.—(1) In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires:

“the 1967 Act” means the Matrimonial Homes Act 1967(1);

“the 1983 Act” means the Matrimonial Homes Act 1983(2);

“the 1996 Act” means the Family Law Act 1996;

“credit account” means an account authorised by the registrar under article 18 of the Land Registration Fees (No. 2) Order 1997(3);

“matrimonial home rights caution” means a caution registered in pursuance of section 2(7) of the 1967 Act before 14th February 1983;

“matrimonial home rights notice” means a notice registered in pursuance of section 31(10) (a) or section 32 of, and paragraph 4(3)(b) of Schedule 4 to, the 1996 Act, or section 2(8) or section 5(3)(b) of the 1983 Act, or section 2(7) or section 5(3)(b) of the 1967 Act;

“section 33(5) order” means an order made under section 33(5) of the 1996 Act, or under section 1 of the 1983 Act by virtue of section 2(4) of that Act.

(2) In rules 3 and 4 “Registry” shall include any premises where documents are stored on behalf of the registrar.

(3) In these Rules a form referred to by number means the form so numbered in Schedule 1.

(4) Expressions in these Rules have, unless the contrary intention appears, the meaning which they bear in the Land Registration Rules 1925(4).

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(1) 1967 c. 75.

(2) 1983 c. 19.

(3) S.I.1997/1710.

(4) S.R.&O. 1925/1093; relevant amending instruments are S.I. 1978/1601; S.I. 1995/3153.