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**1991 No. 1247 (L.20)**

**FAMILY PROCEEDINGS**

**SUPREME COURT OF ENGLAND AND WALES**

**COUNTY COURTS**

The Family Proceedings Rules 1991

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THE FAMILY PROCEEDINGS RULES 1991

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