

Ejari contract must for family visa



LEGAL VIEW
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I live in a small room in a villa with my wife and two children and do not have a tenancy contract. I intend to renew my family visa without having a tenancy contract as I cannot afford to obtain a new flat on tenancy. My landlord, a relative of mine, is also ready to support me.

Pursuant to your questions, we assume that you are resident of Dubai. An individual must have a Ejari tenancy contract in his name in order to avail visas for his family. Further, in the event your employer provides you accommodation as part of your remuneration you could sponsor visa for your family. In such case the Ejari contract may be in the name of your employer and the employer could issue a letter to the General Directorate of Residency Foreigners Affairs that the employer has provided you accommodation. Based on this, you can apply for family visas to your wife and children.

Know the law

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unless the situation changes. If divorce is the only option, how can I ensure that my husband will pay maintenance? I cannot afford to support children on my own.

Pursuant to your queries, if you are willing to file a divorce in the UAE, as a wife you are entitled for alimony and maintenance for yourself and children in accordance with the Personal Status Law of the UAE. The husband must maintain his wife and children in accordance with Article 63 of the Federal Law No. 28 of 2005 Concerning Personal Status (the 'Personal Status Law') which states:

(1) Maintenance shall cover food, clothing the house, treatment, a servant for the wife if she is served in her family's house and what is kindly required by conjugal relationship.

(2) Maintenance shall be determined according to the financial ability of the maintainer and the condition of the dependant and the economic situations in terms of place and time. However, maintenance shall not be less than the sufficient limit.

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According to Article 78(1) of the Personal Status Law: "Maintenance of the youngster

having no financial resource shall be borne by their father. Girls shall be maintained till they get married, while boys shall be maintained till they reach an age at when he can earn money."



(3) The exploration (inspection) certificate shall be sufficient for deciding the kinds of maintenance, the amount of custody, the house and the conditions on which any decided thing of what is mentioned depends."

Further, a wife is entitled for alimony once her husband stops providing her basic needs in accordance with Article 67 of the Personal Status Law, which states: "The wife's alimony shall start from the date the husband abstains from supporting her. It shall be considered a debt due from

him without dependence on the judiciary or mutual consent, but it shall be extinguished by payment or absolution.

Actions for claiming alimony for a previous period exceeding three years from the date of filing the action shall not be heard unless it is imposed by mutual consent."

Your children are also entitled for maintenance by their father in accordance with Article 78(1) of the Personal Status Law, which states: "Maintenance of the youngster having no financial resource shall be borne by their father. Girls shall be maintained till they get married, while boys shall be maintained till they reach an age at when he can earn money, unless he is student pursuing his study with usual success."

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