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MAWADDAH ASSOCIATION FOR FAMILY STABILITY

Brief
Summary

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Mafs is a specialized developmental family association that focuses on the stability and well-being of Saudi families in all circumstances. Its main goal is to reduce divorce rates in Saudi society and address its effects.



The association's programs primarily target divorced women, widows, abandoned women, and their children. Mawaddah aims to collaborate with relevant entities to empower these women and their children, protect their rights, and prevent various forms of domestic violence.



The association was established by a decision from the Ministry of Human Resources and Social Development, under number 492, dated 10/5/1430 AH.



Who's Behind Us?

Princess Lolowa bint Nawaf

Chair Of Mafs

Princess Lolowa bint Nawaf has been the chair of Mafs since October 2020. In her role, Princess Lolowa has focused on enhancing the association's public standing, securing funds, and overseeing the performance of directors, members, committees, and staff. The princess gained a bachelor's degree in business management, with a focus on marketing and management information systems, from Babson College in Massachusetts, in the US, and she is currently studying for a master's degree in non-profit management at Northeastern University in Boston, America.



Who's Behind Us?

Khlood Al-Tamimi

CEO Of Mafs

Khlood Al-Tamimi has been CEO of Mafs since 2016, as a prominent figure known for her transformative leadership and commitment to societal development.

With over a decade of experience in national firms, She has played a key role in steering Mafs towards impactful initiatives and sustainable growth.

Al-Tamimi holds a bachelor's degree in English translation from King Saud University and earned a master's in business administration from Carlfield University in the US. and She recently completed the general management program from Harvard Business School.



Founding Mafs

Her Royal Highness Princess **Modi** bint Khaled bin Abdulaziz

Her Royal Highness Princess **Sara** bint Masood bin Abdulaziz

Mrs. Asmaa Al-Khamees
Mrs. Al-Jawhara bin Saidan
Mrs. Amira Al-Ghamdi
Dr. Baneah Al-Rasheed
Mrs. Thuraya Sheikh
Mrs. Jawhara Al-Musa
Mrs. Dania bin Saidan
Mrs. Raghda Rabah (May she rest in peace)
Mrs. Sara bin Saidan
Prof. Dr. Salwa Al-Khatib
Mrs. Tarfah Al-Hutwa

Mrs. Aisha Al-Onabi
Mrs. Awatif Salama
Mrs. Awatif Buturji
Mrs. Fatima Al-Khariji
Mrs. Fatima Al-Saloom
Mrs. Ferial Kordli
Dr. Latifa Al-Bossam
Mrs. Latifa bin Saidan
Mrs. Lolwa bin Saidan
Mrs. Mashael Al-Rasheed

Dr. Masbah Al-Kordli
Mrs. Mudawi Al Al-Sheikh
Mrs. Manal Al-Shahri
Mrs. Munira Al-Suhail
Mrs. Munira Al-Dawood
Dr. May Al-Essa
Mrs. Mervat Al-Sijan
Mrs. Amwal bin Saidan
Mrs. Huda Al-Naim
Dr. Wafa Tayyiba



Board of Directors Members

Her Royal Highness Princess Lolowa bint Nawaf bin
Mohammed Al Saud - Chairperson of the Board

Her Excellency Jawhara Abdulrahman Abdul Latif
Al-Musa - Vice Chairperson of the Board

Mr. Sultan Khaled Mohammed Al-Jubair
Financial Supervisor

Ms. Amal Ayyed Ali Al-Otaibi
Board Member

Mr. Nalif Hussein Khalifa Al Khalifa
Board Member

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Board Member

Mr. Abdulwahab Mohammed Abdulaziz
AlFayez - Board Member

Ms. Nadia Ahmed Dougan Al-Anzi
Board Member

Dr. Hanadi bint Fahd bin Abdulaziz
AlHukair - Board Member



ABOUT MAFS

Strategic Objectives

1. Implement specialized service programs for beneficiaries (awareness and developmental).
2. Conduct research and consulting studies in the association's field of work.
3. Achieve financial sustainability.
4. Qualify specialized personnel in the association's field of work.
5. Expand the association's services qualitatively and geographically.



Vision

Empowering families for a cohesive and sustainable society.



Mission

Community leadership to support and empower families through the provision of quality initiatives

Sources of Income

Donations

Zakat

Memberships

Investments

Sponsorships

Grants

Government subsidies

Activities and events

Free messages
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Partnership



Excellence



Sustainability



Empowerment

Preserving our organization's values



Milestones in MAFS Journey

Mafs has had significant milestones in its journey.

Strategically, the association focuses on integration with relevant government entities to provide comprehensive national solutions to family issues, particularly those related to divorce and its consequences.

Through research and studies conducted by the association, it has presented regulatory and legislative solutions to the concerned authorities. These efforts have contributed to assisting those entities in finding fundamental solutions to these problems.



MAFS Research Center For Human and Social Studies

As part of the association efforts to expand its qualitative services to empower and stabilize families, and to develop the services provided to beneficiaries based on realistic data that represents the current state of society and is built on the results of studies of the local environment, Mafs has established a research center dedicated to the association. This project is one of the important initiatives stemming from the implementation plan of plan for at a 2025 Mafs Association's strategic family 2023 time when the association needs to develop its services and expand its scope of work in light of the real and actual needs of Saudi families

The center is specialized in research, studies, and consulting services that support family empowerment and stability. The center provides its services to regulatory and executive government bodies, as well as the private sector. Among the main services offered are:

- * Systemic studies
- * Statistical and field studies
- * Innovative solutions
- * Guidance evidence

Main Objectives of the Center



- Contribute to providing specialized research using scientific methods that align with strategic national plans.
- Enhance the presence of experts in accordance with their specialization to fill the gap in social research.
- Expand knowledge by establishing the center according to the best standards to become a social knowledge hub that serves decision-makers, the private sector, and non-profit organizations.
- Achieve sustainability.
- Hold lectures, seminars, forums, and scientific conferences that focus on human and social matters.
- Collaborate and partner with various community institutions to conduct research in the fields of human and science.

General Supervisor of the Center:



Prof. Dr. Sami Al-Damegh

Bachelor of Arts in Social Service from the Department of Social Studies, College of Arts, King Saud University, 1986. Master's degree in Social Service with a specialization in Mental Health from the University of Washington, USA, December 1989. Ph.D. in Social Service from the University of Illinois, USA, April 1992.

MAFS Research Center For Human and Social Studies

MAFS has obtained a membership certificate from the Coordinating Council for Social Research Centers.



The study of the regulated procedures for divorce

In 2010 Mafis initiated the establishment of a charitable alliance consisting of several charitable and governmental institutions to support the study of the project on regulated procedures for divorce

The association was determined to prepare this study with the aim of proposing comprehensive regulatory and procedural solutions to address the challenges arising from divorce and provide the necessary legal protection for the rights of the wife and children during and after divorce.



The study of the regulated procedures for divorce

After its completion, the study was submitted to the royal court and received generous attention. It was then referred to the Ministry of Justice for its recommendations to be taken into consideration.

The Ministry of Justice adopted several proposals from the study and began implementing them in practice. The most important proposals that were adopted include:

The "Alimony Fund Project"

Provision of "facilities for implementing visitation and custody ruling"

Assigning the association to conduct a detailed study on its proposal for pre- marriage inquiries



Alimony Fund

In light of these successful achievements, the association is proud to announce the approval of the Council of Ministers to establish the Alimony Funding 2017. This fund is one of the projects proposed by the study on *Regulated Procedures for Divorce and Their Implications for the Wife and Children*, which was adopted by the Ministry of Justice as part of its initiatives in the National Transformation Program. The association conducted this study with the aim of finding comprehensive regulatory and procedural solutions to address the challenges arising from divorce and providing the necessary legal protection for the rights of the wife and children during and after divorce.



The association proposal for the Alimony Fund aimed to enhance the judicial efficiency in alimony rights for the wife and children by establishing a financial fund that ensures the prompt and effective implementation of alimony court rulings while preserving the dignity of the wife and children. The fund is responsible for disbursing the specified alimony amounts mentioned in court rulings that cannot be directly implemented by the recipients (the wife and children). The fund then collects these alimony amounts from the obligated party (the husband) through various mechanisms and powers provided by the fund's regulations.

Alimony Fund



It is worth mentioning that the Ministry of Justice had commissioned the association to prepare a study for the development of the "organizing the alimony fund" project. This study was submitted to the Expert Committee of the Council of Ministers, leading to the approval of the regulations by the council.



Bayt Mawaddah Center

In early 2012 , as a practical implementation of the proposal from the study on "Regulated Procedures for Divorce and Their Implications for the Wife and Children," Bayt Mawaddah Center was inaugurated in Riyadh. It was the first center of its kind in the Kingdom, aiming to replace the previously inhumane practices in enforcing custody, visitation, and access rulings through police stations.

In 2015 , the Ministry of Justice adopted the proposal made by MoM to establish centers for enforcing custody, visitation, and access rulings as part of the ministry initiatives in the National Transformation Program. Visitation through the police was prohibited.

In the same year, in 2015 , Bayt Mawaddah was also accredited as a model for visitation and custody enforcement centers by the Ministry of Social Affairs (formerly). Prior to that, the association was assigned to develop a procedural guide for establishing and operating visitation houses.



- * Bayt Mawaddah provides its services to separated families through a team of specialists in the social and legal fields to ensure the continuity of care for children involved in family conflicts from both their parents.
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Shamel Center

In 2015, the Ministry of Justice adopted Maif's proposal for visitation houses as part of its initiatives in the National Transformation Program. In 2018, Bayt Mawaddah was selected by the Ministry of Justice as a consulting body to participate in the pilot project of the Providing Custody, Visitation, and Access Centers initiative. The number of beneficiaries from Shamel Centers in the Riyadh region is 1,109, including parents and their children. The proposed model for these

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- * The Ministry of Justice chose Maif to operate the Shamel initiative, which aims to provide visitation, access, and custody enforcement centers in the Riyadh region. The association opened nine equipped centers to implement visitation and custody rulings in various cities and provinces of the Riyadh region.



Study of the project

"Inquiring about those about to get"

This study is being undertaken by Mawaddah Association in response to the Ministry of Justice's request for the association to conduct an organizational study regarding its proposal outlined in the study of regulated procedures for divorce. The proposal pertains to the pre-marriage inquiry, which aims to provide optional electronic services for inquiring about the social, judicial, and mental health status of individuals planning to get married. The objective of this project is to establish marriages based on transparency, satisfaction, and mutual acceptance, free from deception and fraud.



It is planned to complete the study and submit it to the ministry during this year, God willing.



Legal incubator program

Mawaddah Association has distinguished itself by launching unique legal projects and programs at the national level, such as the "Legal incubator Program for Personal Affairs" initiative in 2011 . The association launched this program after noticing the significant difficulties faced by divorced women and those in similar circumstances in family and marital issues.



Legal incubator program

It consists of an intensive free training program comprising



192

192 Specialized training hours

Aimed at developing the legal skills of trainees to deal with personal status cases and domestic violence issues, as well as equipping them with the necessary knowledge to interact with judicial authorities.



(120-150)

192 Specialized training hours

Of free legal consultations to divorced women and those in similar circumstances, under the supervision of the Legal Affairs department of the association

Upon completion of the program and their qualification, each legal trainee is committed to providing



The Legal Incubator Program for Personal Affairs is the first of its kind, aiming to qualify Sharia and law graduates to provide legal consultations to women and advocate for them in marital and family cases before the courts.



Legal incubator program



Mawaddah has successfully trained

300

legal Advisors

They provided approximately

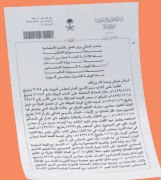
36,000

voluntary hours of legal consultations

The establishment of Maf's Legal Support Offices in the main cities personal status courts was highlighted as a development in the field of enhancing and protecting human rights within judicial institutions. This was mentioned in the national report presented during the Universal Periodic Review of Human Rights in the Kingdom at the Human Rights Council in Geneva on October

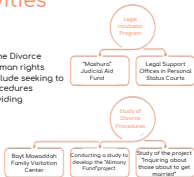
These achievements were recognized with the issuance of the Noble Royal Decree by the Ministry of Labor and Social Development, which signed Memorandum of Understanding with Maf's Association to benefit from their experience in the Legal incubator Program to provide legal assistance for cases of domestic violence. This Noble Royal Decree sets a precedent in charitable work and is an honor for the association, affirming the professionalism and quality of its programs and projects.

Legal incubator program



Expanding in Human Rights Activities

Through the legal incubator Program and the study of the Divorce Procedures Project, MafS has been able to expand its human rights activities to continue achieving its goals. These goals include seeking to establish a comprehensive system of legislation and procedures governing family rights and relationships, as well as providing supportive legal services to address family issues.



"Mashura"

Judicial Aid Fund

After Mawaddah succeeded in providing qualified female legal professionals to offer legal consultations and represent clients in family and marital cases, the association launched the "Mashura Judicial Aid Fund, which is the first charitable fund to provide free judicial assistance.



The fund has provided a
total of **79,934**
legal consultations.



The aim of the fund is to provide free legal consultation and representation before the courts for needy individuals in cases related to personal status and domestic violence, in accordance with legal and regulatory requirements.



Mafs's Legal Support Offices

After the success of the "Legal incubator Program for Personal Status" and upon the request of the Ministry of Justice.



The first women's legal support office in the Kingdom was inaugurated in 2014 at the Personal Status Court in Riyadh. This marked the first organized practical initiative for Saudi women in the judicial sector.

- * Following this success and
- * with the support of the
- * Ministry of Justice, the
- * expansion continued, and
- * these legal support offices
- * were opened in the main
- * cities personal status courts,
- * including Makkah, Jeddah,
- * Dammam, and Al-Madinah.



The offices were staffed with qualified female legal researchers who provide free legal consultations to clients and assist them in correctly filling out lawsuit documents.



Mafs's Legal Support Offices

Through the Legal Support Offices, Mafs
has been able to provide



168,697 Legal
Services
Benefiting

► In favor of



94,806 beneficiaries



Mafs's Legal Support Offices



The Legal Support Offices provided assistance to judges by drafting legally sound lawsuit documents that clearly and specifically highlighted the subject of the claim and the plaintiff's requests.



The professional operation of the women's support offices within the Personal Status Courts contributed to the acceptance of judges and Ministry staff, due to the presence of female personnel working in the courts. This paved the way for the Ministry of Justice to open women's sections in Sharia courts and legal, administrative, and Sharia Notary offices, covering various legal specialties.



Representation of Civil Society Institutions

Representation of Civil Society Institutions at the
"Experts Authority" in the Council of Ministers:"

In continuation of MAFS strategic approach to actively contribute to the development of comprehensive, long-term, and impactful national solutions that extend beyond the direct beneficiaries to the community at large, the association, supported by its partners, initiated the "Personal Status Code Project" in 2014. This project aims to propose a binding legal framework to regulate marital and family relationships and the rights arising from them.

- ✱ Due to the association's distinguished activity in the legal field, it has been involved in several committees tasked with reviewing decisions related to family matters within the Council of Ministers' Expert Authority. This includes the association's participation in the committee responsible for establishing regulations for the marriage of minors and its membership in the committee focused on studying the provision of volunteer lawyers for handling cases of domestic violence.

Personal Status Code Project

In line with Mawaddah's strategic approach to actively contribute to long-term, comprehensive national solutions that have a wide-ranging impact beyond the beneficiaries of its services, with a particular focus on systems and legislation affecting individuals and families, the association initiated the preparation of the Personal Status Code Project in 2014, with the support of its partners.



The objective of this project is to propose a binding legal reference that regulates marital and family relationships and the rights derived from them.



Personal Status Code Project



The association also worked on preparing the 'Procedural Law for Personal Status Cases' project, which includes procedural rules aimed at regulating the work of courts and relevant authorities dealing with personal status cases. The project aims to facilitate the cumbersome procedures for resolving family disputes in a way that preserves the family's entity and protects the rights of its members.



Both the Personal Status Code and the Procedural Law projects were submitted to the Royal Highness in 2017 with the hope of approval and adoption



Establishment of a Specialized Association for Domestic Violence Protection

In an effort to promote the concept of sustainable development and contribute to achieving family stability in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, as well as addressing the issues of family disintegration, in line with the modern concept of the role of the nonprofit sector and its significant importance in achieving economic and social development in the Kingdom, Mawaddah has launched its new strategy aligned with Vision 2030.

Through this strategy, MAFS has been able to provide innovative and sustainable solutions to address family issues and complete the legislative and procedural framework related to family stability in integration with relevant entities. This includes the establishment of a specialized association for domestic violence protection aimed at confronting the phenomenon of violence in the Kingdom and reducing its negative impact on society.



Objectives of the Association:

1. Ratification of international conventions related to protection against abuse, child protection, and women's rights by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, and local implementation of these conventions.
2. Insufficient presence of specialized associations in this field.
3. Expansion of the target groups for the association.
4. Implementation of best international practices in this field and enhancing the skills of professionals in the sector.
5. Contribution to the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) through the Quality of Life Index.
6. Contribution to reducing cases of domestic violence.



Targeted Audience:

Victims of domestic violence (children, women, men)



Project: Family Counseling And Guidance Center

In light of the rapid changes experienced by societies in all aspects of life and their impact on families in all their components, the concept of family counseling has emerged as a necessary tool that contributes to achieving family balance, stability, and understanding of roles. Family counseling and guidance play a crucial role in addressing the problems and difficulties faced by individuals and families in various aspects of life, with a focus on the family as the foundation of societal stability and protection against potential difficulties. The aim is to provide appropriate solutions to these challenges and to contribute to achieving one of the goals of Vision 2030, which is to build a vibrant society by fostering resilient families capable of facing challenges and protecting them from family disintegration. The project aims to establish a specialized center for family counseling to professionally and scientifically address the problems faced by certain individuals in society and provide them with suitable guidance.



Who is the Targeted Audience?

Families experiencing various forms of disintegration.
Families experiencing different forms of violence.
Divorced, widowed, and abused women, Parents.
Individuals preparing for marriage and newly married couples.

Project Timeline:

The project is set to be launched in 2024.



Guidance Center

Project Objective:

1. Prepare and qualify family counselors professionally and scientifically.
2. Provide family counseling services (via phone, in-person, and online) to all segments of the family using scientific methods.
3. Enhance the quality of life by creating a socially, educationally, and psychologically supportive family environment.
4. Conduct studies and research on family issues and treatment methods.
5. Assist families in better coping with social, psychological, and economic pressures and crises.
6. Support and enhance the capacities of individuals preparing for marriage and newly married couples by providing them with knowledge and healthy concepts for building stable marital relationships.
7. Guide and direct members of the community towards optimal approaches in dealing with social difficulties and problems they may face.
8. Provide social and advisory services for issues individuals in the community may be experiencing.
9. Raise awareness of family rights, obligations, and roles between spouses.

Project Sustainability:

- Attracting supporting and funding entities, including companies, to support the project.
- Providing consultations by recruiting experienced and knowledgeable counselors.
- Collaborating with specialized counseling centers in the field of family counseling and reform to provide family guidance and counseling.
- Collaborating and signing agreements with relevant entities to fulfill requests according to each party's requirements.

Achievements of the association in providing legal, social, and psychological family consultations:

6,314 legal consultations.

181 family and social consultations.

49 psychological consultations.

Social Support Program Fund

Under the umbrella of development programs aimed at empowering beneficiaries, MAFS established the "Social Support Program Fund" in 2013. It is a charitable and developmental fund that aims to provide various types of support, including economic, social, and psychological services, to empower and support needy cases, including divorced women, women under the custody of the court, abandoned women, and their children.



The Social Support Program Fund has contributed to improving living conditions and housing environments and has helped meet the needs of

%90

of the applicants for its services. The fund seeks to achieve social security for fragmented families by providing multiple services aimed at achieving stability and self-sufficiency for the family.



Social Support Program Fund

In line with MAFS developmental approach, it has been a requirement for beneficiaries to participate in a training and rehabilitation program in order to receive financial assistance. The aim is to empower them and provide them with the necessary skills to improve their social and economic conditions, based on the appropriate developmental plan for each beneficiary.



Social Support Program Fund

1734 Registration, studying new cases, and identifying economic and training needs.

5981 The number of beneficiaries and their children from rehabilitation and training programs.

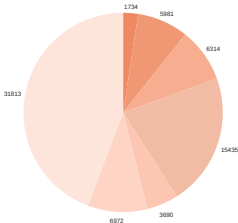
6,314 Telephone and in-person legal consultations.

15,435 Beneficiaries of the social support program.

3,690 The number of trainees for the pre-marital and newlywed preparation program.

6,972 The number of beneficiaries and their children who have been employed and trained."

31,813 The number of beneficiaries of cash and in-kind assistance



Mafs's Books

A collection called "Qalb Fi Baytin" (A Heart in Two Houses).

It is aimed at families to help them navigate the divorce process peacefully and mitigate the impact of divorce on children at different stages of their lives.

- * The books were developed by a team of experts in family counseling, psychology, children's literature, education, and parenting.
- * MAFS ensured that the books are reviewed from both psychological and religious perspectives.
- * The books are divided into four age categories (preschool, elementary, adolescence, and parents).
- * They are suitable for the Saudi community, addressing their issues and reflecting their image through content and illustrations.
- * The language used is easy and smooth, catering to individuals of different social and educational backgrounds.



Mafs acknowledges, as everyone does, that it is not possible to completely prevent divorce, but aims to minimize its impact as much as possible.



Notable Milestones In Mafs's Journey



2014 Received two awards from the Princess Seetah bint Abdulaziz Foundation for Excellence in Social Work in the following fields:

- * Initiatives and Rights Projects
- * Research and Studies



2018 Mafs joined the advisory team for the National Strategy for Women in the Kingdom.



Notable Milestones In Mafs's Journey

Arab League University Award for the year 2020

Mawaddah Charitable Society for Family Development received the 2020 Arab League University Award for Family-Friendly Institutions from the Arab League University. This recognition was awarded in acknowledgment of Mawaddah's efforts in contributing to technical knowledge on family protection issues, women, children, relevant systems, and policies at the local level.

The association's expertise in conducting research and studies on family and women's issues, as well as its practical field initiatives, played a significant role in solving family problems and achieving positive results.



Notable Milestones In Mafs's Journey



Mafs has obtained the
ISO 9001:2015

certification for delivering high-quality service that ensures the satisfaction of its beneficiaries and all relevant internal and external parties. This certification also validates the establishment of a quality management system in accordance with international standards.



Notable Milestones In Mafs's Journey



Mafs has obtained the
ISO 27001:2013

Certificate in adherence to the information security policy and to ensure the security of data for its beneficiaries and all relevant internal and external parties.



Notable Milestones In Mafs's Journey



Mafs has been awarded the

GPTW

Great Place To Work

certification as the best workplace
environment in the year 2023.



Notable Milestones In Maf's Journey



Maf's has been awarded the

GPTW

Best Workplaces for Women

certification as the best work environment for women in the Gulf region in the year 2023.



Notable Milestones In Mafs's Journey



Mafs received a certificate of
The Level One
Trusted Charity Mark



Notable Milestones In Mafs's Journey



MAFS received a certificate of

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