



# Acquisition of Land (Assessment of Compensation) Act 1919

## 1919 CHAPTER 57

### 3 Provision as to procedure before official arbitrators

- (1) In any proceedings before an official arbitrator, not more than one expert witness on either side shall be heard unless the official arbitrator otherwise directs:

Provided that, where the claim includes a claim for compensation in respect of minerals, or disturbance of business, as well as in respect of land, one additional expert witness on either side on the value of the minerals or, as the case may be, on the damage suffered by reason of the disturbance may be allowed.

- (2) It shall not be necessary for an official arbitrator to make any declaration before entering into the consideration of any matter referred to him.
- (3) The official arbitrator shall, on the application of either party, specify the amount awarded in respect of any particular matter the subject of the award.
- (4) The official arbitrator shall be entitled to enter on and inspect any land which is the subject of proceedings before him.
- (5) Proceedings under this Act shall be heard by an official arbitrator sitting in public.
- (6) The fees to be charged in respect of proceedings before official arbitrators shall be such as the Treasury may prescribe.
- (7) Subject" as aforesaid, the Reference Committee may make rules regulating the procedure before official arbitrators.