



Justice (Northern Ireland) Act 2002

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PART 1

THE JUDICIARY

Magistrates

11 Transfer of functions of lay panellists

- (1) In paragraph 3(1) of Schedule 2 to the [Children and Young Persons Act \(Northern Ireland\) 1968 \(c. 34 \(N.I.\)\)](#) (composition of juvenile courts), for “persons selected from one or more of the panels mentioned in sub-paragraph (2)” substitute “lay magistrates for the county court division which includes the petty sessions district or districts for which the court acts or any other county court division which adjoins that county court division”.
- (2) In section 178 of that Act (assessors for county court in appeals from juvenile courts)
 - (a) in subsection (1), for “persons selected from one or more than one of the appropriate juvenile court panels,” substitute “appropriate lay magistrates, at least one of whom (where practicable) is a woman,”
 - (b) in subsection (2), for “person” (in each place) substitute “lay magistrate”, and
 - (c) in subsection (4), for the definition of “the appropriate juvenile courts panels” substitute—

““appropriate lay magistrate” means a lay magistrate for the county court division for which the county court is held or any other county court division which adjoins that county court division;”.
- (3) In Article 165(2)(i) of the [Children \(Northern Ireland\) Order 1995 \(S.I. 1995/755 \(N.I. 2\)\)](#) (rules of court: discharge of functions of court of summary jurisdiction by member of juvenile court panel), for “member of a juvenile court panel” substitute “lay magistrate”.