



Constitutional Reform Act 2005

2005 CHAPTER 4

PART 2 **U.K.**

ARRANGEMENTS TO MODIFY THE OFFICE OF LORD CHANCELLOR

Lord Chancellor's oath

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(1) In the Promissory Oaths Act 1868 (c. 72) after section 6 insert—

“6A Lord Chancellor's Oath

(1) The oath set out in subsection (2) shall be tendered to and taken by the Lord Chancellor, after and in the same manner as the official oath, as soon as may be after his acceptance of office.

(2) The oath is—

“I, _____, do swear that in the office of Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain I will respect the rule of law, defend the independence of the judiciary and discharge my duty to ensure the provision of resources for the efficient and effective support of the courts for which I am responsible. So help me God.”

(2) The section inserted by subsection (1) does not apply in the case of acceptance of office before the coming into force of this section.

Status:

Point in time view as at 01/04/2008.

Changes to legislation:

Constitutional Reform Act 2005, Section 17 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 15 July 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.