DRAFT STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2015 No.

The Judicial Pensions Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015

PART 6

Retirement benefits

CHAPTER 1

General

Application of Part

54. This Part applies in relation to retirement benefits payable in respect of a continuous period of pensionable service under this scheme.

Qualifying service

55.—(1) In these Regulations, "qualifying service" means the total of—

- (a) any continuous period of pensionable service under this scheme;
- (b) if a transfer value payment has been received by this scheme in respect of a member's accrued rights under another occupational pension scheme, the member's pensionable service under that scheme; and
- (c) for a transition member with continuity of service, the member's pensionable service under an existing scheme before the transition date for that member.
- (2) None of the following counts as qualifying service—
 - (a) any pensionable service under this scheme in respect of which a person's rights under this scheme are extinguished;
 - (b) any pensionable service under an existing scheme in respect of which a person's rights under that scheme are extinguished;
 - (c) any unauthorised absence from qualifying judicial office.