
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1994 No. 1899

**The Wills and Administration Proceedings
(Northern Ireland) Order 1994**

PART II

WILLS

Effect of marriage, divorce, etc.

[^{F1}Effect on subsisting will of conversion of marriage into civil partnership

13D.—(1) The conversion of a marriage into a civil partnership does not—

- (a) revoke any will made by a party to the marriage before the conversion; or
- (b) affect any disposition in such a will.

(2) The conversion of a marriage into a civil partnership does not affect any previous application of Article 12(2) to (4) to—

- (a) a will made by a party to the marriage before the conversion; or
- (b) a disposition in such a will.

(3) Paragraphs (1) and (2) are subject to paragraph (4).

(4) Any reference in a will to a marriage or spouses (howsoever expressed) is to be read in relation to any marriage that has been converted into a civil partnership, or a married couple who have converted their marriage into a civil partnership, as referring to that civil partnership or the parties to it, as appropriate.

(5) Paragraph (4) is subject to any contrary intention appearing from the will.

(6) In this Article “conversion” means—

- (a) the conversion of a marriage into a civil partnership under Part 3 of the Marriage and Civil Partnership (Northern Ireland) (No. 2) Regulations 2020; or
- (b) the conversion of a marriage into a civil partnership under Part 4 or 5 of those Regulations.]

F1 Arts. 13C, 13D inserted (7.12.2020) by [The Marriage and Civil Partnership \(Northern Ireland\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/1143\)](#), regs. 1(2), **41(4)**

Changes to legislation:

The Wills and Administration Proceedings (Northern Ireland) Order 1994, Section 13D is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 14 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.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Order associated Parts and Chapters:

- Order modified by [2016 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 5 para. 4\(2\)](#)