

1988 No. 88

LEGAL AID AND ADVICE

Legal Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) Regulations
(Northern Ireland) 1988*Made* 15th March 1988*Coming into operation* 11th April 1988*To be laid before Parliament*

The Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 3(2), 7(3) and 22(1) of the Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(a) and now vested in him(b), hereby makes the following Regulations—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Legal Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1988 and shall come into operation on 11th April 1988.

(2) In these Regulations “the Order” means the Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (Northern Ireland) Order 1981.

Revocation

2. The Regulations specified in the first column of the Schedule shall be revoked to the extent specified in the third column of that Schedule.

Persons eligible for advice and assistance

3.—(1) For the weekly sum of £118 specified in Article 3(1)(c) of the Order, there shall be substituted the weekly sum of £122.

(2) For the capital sum of £825 specified in Article 3(1) of the Order, there shall be substituted the sum of £850 except in relation to assistance by way of representation (for which the sum remains £3,000(c)).

Contributions from persons receiving advice and assistance

4. For the weekly sum of £56 specified in Article 7(2) of the Order, there shall be substituted the weekly sum of £58.

Dated 15th March 1988

Mackay of Clashfern, C.

(a) S.I. 1981/228 (N.I. 8) as amended by S.R. 1987 No. 103

(b) S.I. 1982/159

(c) S.R. 1986 No. 241

SCHEDULE

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Regulations Revoked

Column 1 <i>Regulations Revoked</i>	Column 2 <i>References</i>	Column 3 <i>Extent of Revocation</i>
Legal Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1982	S.R. 1982 No. 55	The whole Regulations
Legal Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1983	S.R. 1983 No. 58	The whole Regulations
Legal Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1983	S.R. 1983 No. 359	The whole Regulations
Legal Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1984	S.R. 1984 No. 360	The whole Regulations
Legal Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1985	S.R. 1985 No. 298	The whole Regulations
Legal Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1987	S.R. 1987 No. 103	The whole Regulations

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations increase the financial limits of eligibility for legal advice and assistance under Part II of the Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (Northern Ireland) Order 1981.

The income limits are increased to make legal advice and assistance available to those with disposable incomes of not more than £122 a week (instead of £118) and available without payment of a contribution to those with disposable incomes of £58 a week or less (instead of £56).

The capital limit is increased to make legal advice and assistance available to those with disposable capital of not more than £850 (instead of £825).