
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1996 No. 451

**The Representations Procedure (Children)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996**

Part IV

**Application of the Regulations to Voluntary Organisations
and Registered Children's Homes and in Special Cases**

Special cases including application to representations by foster parents

12.—(1) Where representations would fall to be considered by more than one authority, they shall be considered by the authority which is looking after the child or by the authority within whose area the child is ordinarily resident where no authority has that responsibility.

(2) The provisions of Parts I to III and regulation 12(1), shall apply to the consideration by an authority of any representations (including any complaint) made to the authority by any person exempted or seeking to be exempted under paragraph 4 of Schedule 5 to the Order (foster parents: limits on numbers of foster children) about the discharge of the authority's functions under that paragraph, as if—

- (a) for the definition in regulation 1(2) of "complainant" there were substituted—
 "“complainant” means a person exempted or seeking to be exempted under paragraph 4 of Schedule 5 to the Order making any representations;”;
- (b) for the definition in regulation 1(2) of "representations" there were substituted—
 "“representations” means representations referred to in paragraph 6 of Schedule 5 to the Order.”;
- (c) in regulation 3(1) the words “except from a person to whom Article 45(3)(e) of the Order may apply,” were omitted; and
- (d) regulation 3(5) and (6) were omitted.