
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1999 No. 226

**The Child Support Commissioners (Procedure)
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999**

PART I

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Interpretation

4. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

“the Order” means the Child Support (Northern Ireland) Order 1991⁽¹⁾;

“appeal tribunal” means an appeal tribunal constituted under Chapter I of Part II of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1998⁽²⁾;

“authorised officer” means an officer authorised by the Lord Chancellor in accordance with paragraph 1A of Schedule 4 to the Order⁽³⁾;

“the chairman” for the purposes of regulations 10, 11 and 12 means—

- (i) the person who was the chairman or sole member of the appeal tribunal which gave the decision against which leave to appeal is being sought; or
- (ii) any other person authorised to deal with applications for leave to appeal to a Commissioner against that decision under the Order;

“Commissioner” means a Child Support Commissioner;

“legally qualified” means being a solicitor or barrister;

“month” means a calendar month;

“office” means the office of the Child Support Commissioners;

“party” means a party to the proceedings;

“proceedings” means any proceedings before a Commissioner, whether by way of an application for leave to appeal to, or from, a Commissioner, by way of an appeal or otherwise; and

“respondent” means any person, other than the applicant or appellant, who was a party to the proceedings before the appeal tribunal and any other person who, pursuant to a direction given under regulation 18 is served with notice of the appeal.

⁽¹⁾ S.I.1991/2628 (N.I. 23)

⁽²⁾ S.I. 1998/1506 (N.I. 10)

⁽³⁾ Paragraph 1A was inserted by Article 11 of the Child Support (Northern Ireland) Order 1995 [S.I. 1995/2702 (N.I. 13)]