

**2005 No. 560**

**FAMILY PROCEEDINGS**

**SUPREME COURT**

**COUNTY COURT**

**The Family Proceedings Fees (Amendment) Order  
(Northern Ireland) 2005**

*Made - - - - - 20th December 2005*

*Coming into operation 6th January 2006*

The Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 116(1) of the Judicature (Northern Ireland) Act 1978(a), after consultation with the Lord Chief Justice and with the concurrence of the Treasury, makes the following Order:

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

**1.**—(1) This Order may be cited as the Family Proceedings Fees (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2005 and shall come into operation on 6th January 2006.

(2) In this Order “the 1996 Order” means the Family Proceedings Fees Order (Northern Ireland) 1996(b).

**Amendment to the 1996 Order**

**2.** In the Schedule to the 1996 Order, in column 1—

- (a) in Fee No. 1(b) after “rule 2.6(3)” insert “or (3A)”;
- (b) in Fee No. 1(b)(ii) after “divorce county court” insert “or a civil partnership proceedings county court”;
- (c) in Fee No. 3 in the title, after “Decree Absolute” insert “or Final Order”;
- (d) in Fee No. 3 after “Decree Absolute” insert “or Making Conditional Order Final”;
- (e) in Fee No. 6 after “matrimonial proceedings” insert “or civil partnership proceedings”;  
and
- (f) in Fee No. 13 after “matrimonial order” insert “or civil partnership order”.

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(a) 1978 c. 23

(b) S.R. 1996 No. 495 to which the most recent relevant amendments were made by S.R. 2004 No. 340

Signed by the authority of the Lord Chancellor

*Bridget Prentice*  
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for Constitutional Affairs

Dated 12th December 2005

We concur,

*Tom Watson*  
*Joan Ryan*  
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury

Dated 20th December 2005

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order.)*

This Order amends the Family Proceedings Fees Order (Northern Ireland) 1996 so as to provide for fees to be taken in proceedings in relation to civil partnership matters in the High Court and county courts.