
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2016 No. 123

**The Court Files Privileged Access
Rules (Northern Ireland) 2016**

Persons who may apply for court files

3.—(1) An application for a court file held by the Office will be accepted from a person (an “applicant”) who, at the time of the application, is aged eighteen years or older and who meets any of the following eligibility criteria—

- (a) a person who appears to the Department to be—
 - (i) a person who has sustained physical or psychological injury as a result of an incident which has been recorded in a court file;
 - (ii) a person who has been bereaved as a result of an incident which has been recorded in a court file; or
 - (iii) a person who has been seriously adversely affected, in a manner other than as described at (i) and (ii), as a result of an incident which has been recorded in a court file.
- (b) a solicitor acting on behalf of a person who meets any of the eligibility criteria set out at rule 3(1)(a).
- (c) an employee of a charity acting on behalf of a person who meets any of the eligibility criteria set out at rule 3(1)(a).

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Court Files Privileged Access Rules (Northern Ireland) 2016, Section 3.