STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2016 No. 198

The Criminal Defence Services (Remuneration) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016

PART 2

APPEAL TO COURT OF APPEAL FROM CROWN COURT

Time limits

15.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the time limit within which any act is required or authorised to be done under this Order may, for good reason, be extended -

- (a) in the case of acts required or authorised to be done under Article 14, by the High Court and
- (b) in the case of acts required or authorised to be done by a representative under any other Article, by the Taxing Master.

(2) Where a representative without good reason has failed (or, if an extension were not granted, would fail) to comply with a time limit, the Taxing Master or the High Court, as the case may be, may, in exceptional circumstances, extend the time limit and shall consider whether it is reasonable in the circumstances to reduce the remuneration, provided that the remuneration shall not be reduced unless the representative has been permitted a reasonable opportunity to show cause orally or in writing why the remuneration should not be reduced.