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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**2023 No. 13**

**HEALTH AND PERSONAL SOCIAL SERVICES**

**The Guardians Ad Litem (Panel) (Revocation)  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2023**

*Made* - - - - *13th February 2023*

*Coming into operation* *6th March 2023*

The Department of Health, in exercise of the powers conferred by Article 60(7) and (9) of the Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995<sup>(1)</sup> and Article 66A(1) and (2) of the Adoption (Northern Ireland) Order 1987<sup>(2)</sup>, makes the following Regulations:

**Citation and Commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Guardians Ad Litem (Panel) (Revocation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2023 and shall come into operation on 6th March 2023.

**Revocation**

2. The Guardians Ad Litem (Panel) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996<sup>(3)</sup> are revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health on 13th February 2023.



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(1) S.I. 1995/755 (N.I. 2)  
(2) S.I. 1987/2203 (N.I. 22)  
(3) S.R. 1996 No. 128

**Status:** *This is the original version (as it was originally made).*

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations revoke the Guardians Ad Litem (Panel) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996. Article 60(7) and (9) of the Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995 and Article 66A(1) and (2) of the Adoption (Northern Ireland) Order 1987 empower the Department of Health by way of regulations to provide for the establishment of panels of persons from whom guardians ad litem must be selected. Such Panel arrangements are now no longer in operation or required and, as a result, the Regulations are no longer necessary and are being revoked.