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ORDER IN COUNCIL MADE UNDER THE BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES REGISTRATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1956.

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By the Governor in the Privy Council of Northern Ireland.

WAKEHURST

Whereas by section five of the Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act (Northern Ireland), 1956 (in this Order referred to as "the Act"), it is, amongst other things, provided that an Order in Council may, after a draft thereof has been approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament, be made by the Governor providing as respects the district of any superintendent registrar, registrar or registrar of marriages that persons holding such of the offices in the said section enumerated as may be designated by the Order shall cease to hold office and that all or any of such offices shall become salaried offices

And whereas by the said Act it is further provided that an Order in Council so made may make provision for certain ancillary, consequential and supplemental matters

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that provision under the said section be made as respects the district of the superintendent registrar of Belfast and the districts of the registrars of Belfast Urban Nos. 1 to 16, Belfast Rural Nos. 2 and 3 and Castlereagh Nos. 1 and 3

AND WHEREAS a draft of this Order has been duly laid before and approved by each House of Parliament

Now, THEREFORE, I, JOHN DE VERE, BARON WAKEHURST, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor of Northern Ireland, by and with the consent of the Privy Council of Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred by the said section and of all other powers me thereunto enabling do hereby Order as follows:—

- 1. The districts designated by this Order are the district of the superintendent registrar of Belfast and the districts of the registrars of Belfast Urban Nos. 1 to 16, Belfast Rural Nos. 2 and 3 and Castlereagh Nos. 1 and 3, all of which registrars' districts are in this Order included in the expression "the centralised area".
- 2. This Order shall come into operation on the first day of October, 1956.
- 3. The following officers shall cease to hold office, that is to say:—

the superintendent registrar of Belfast;

the assistant superintendent registrar of Belfast;

the deputy superintendent registrar of Belfast;

the registrars, assistant registrars and deputy registrars of the districts of Belfast Urban Nos. 1 to 16, Belfast Rural Nos. 2 and 3 and Castlereagh Nos. 1 and 3.

4. The following offices shall be salaried offices, that is to say:—

the office of superintendent registrar of Belfast;

the office of deputy superintendent registrar of Belfast;

the office of each registrar and deputy registrar in the centralised area:

and the persons appointed to those offices shall be officers of the Belfast County Borough Health Authority.

- 5. Each registrar and deputy registrar holding a salaried office shall have authority to register events occurring in any place in the centralised area.
- 6. All moneys received by salaried officers by way of fees or otherwise by virtue of their respective offices shall be paid to the Belfast County Borough Health Authority in such manner and at such times as that Authority may determine.
- 7. The Belfast County Borough Health Authority shall pay to the salaried officers and other officers employed for the purposes of the Act the remuneration at the rates approved by the Ministry of Health and Local Government under section 6 of the Act.
- 8. The surplus, or, as the case may be, the deficit resulting from the items referred to in section 7(c)(i) and (ii) of the Act in respect of each financial year shall be held, or, as the case may be, defrayed by the Belfast County Borough Health Authority, and—

- (a) if a surplus, shall be apportioned by them between that Authority, the Antrim County Health Authority and the Down County Health Authority;
- (b) if a deficit, shall be borne by the Belfast County Borough Health Authority, the Antrim County Health Authority and the Down County Health Authority;

in the proportions which the number of births and deaths and of marriages under the Registration of Marriages (Ireland) Act, 1863, registered in the register or other books of the centralised area in each financial year as having occurred in the area of each Health Authority named bear to the total number of such registrations in the centralised area, and, accordingly, as soon as practicable after the end of that year, there shall be made to or by the Antrim County Health Authority and the Down County Health Authority such payments as are necessary to give effect to the provisions of this paragraph.

- 9.—(1) The appropriate Health Authority shall grant to any registrar—
 - (a) who holds that office immediately before the commencement of this Order;
 - (b) whose office is abolished by the operation of this Order;and
 - (c) to or in respect of whom there might be granted under any enactment any allowance or other benefit by way of superannuation in respect of his office;

such allowance or other benefit by way of compensation for loss of office as might have been granted to him if he had devoted his whole time to the duties of that office and were retiring from it by reason of permanent infirmity of mind or body.

- (2) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (1) "appropriate health authority" means the health authority in whose area the district of the registrar is situate.
- 10. This Order may be cited as the Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Order (Northern Ireland), 1956.

Given at Government House, Hillsborough this third day of July, 1956.

Geo. B. Hanna.
Terence O'Neill.
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R. Corkey.