

## COUNTY COURTS

## County Court (Electoral Registration Appeal) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1969

RULES, DATED 22ND DECEMBER 1969, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTION 146 OF THE COUNTY COURTS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1959.

I, the Right Honourable Robert Wilson Porter, Q.C., Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 146 of the County Courts Act (Northern Ireland) 1959(a) on the recommendation of the County Court Rules Committee and after consultation with the Lord Chief Justice, do hereby make the Rules hereinafter set forth.

Dated this 22nd day of December 1969.

R. W. Porter,  
Minister of Home Affairs  
for Northern Ireland.

## PART I

APPEALS TO THE COUNTY COURT FROM  
THE REVISING OFFICER

*County Court to which appeals from the revising officer shall lie*

1.—(1) An appeal from the revising officer to the county court under section 45 of the Representation of the People Act 1949(b) (in these Rules called “the Act of 1949”) or under Rule 17(1) of the Registration Rules contained in Schedule 3 to the Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962(c) (in these Rules called “the Registration Rules” and “the Act of 1962” respectively) shall be heard by the county court judge for the Division in which the qualifying premises are situate (in these Rules referred to as “the appropriate court”).

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1) “the qualifying premises” means the premises in which the person whose right to be correctly registered as an elector is in issue resides or is deemed or is alleged to reside.

*Notice of Appeal and request for fixing date and place of hearing*

2.—(1) A party desirous of appealing under the provisions referred to in Rule 1 from any determination of his claim or objection (in these Rules referred to as an “appellant”) shall within 14 days from the making of the relevant determination serve by registered post or by the recorded delivery service—

(a) on the electoral registration officer concerned;

(b) on the party in whose favour the determination was made;

(a) 1959. c. 25.

(b) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 68.

(c) 1962. c. 14.

- (c) on the clerk of the Crown and peace of the appropriate court; and
- (d) if the revising officer was a person other than the said clerk of the Crown and peace, the revising officer;

a notice in writing (in these Rules referred to as "notice of appeal") signed by or on behalf of the appellant and stating—

- (i) whether the whole or part only, and if part only, what part, of the determination is impugned; and
- (ii) the grounds of the appeal.

(2) With the notice of appeal referred to in paragraph (c) of paragraph (1) the appellant shall transmit a notice in Form 1 requesting the fixing of a time and place for the hearing of the appeal and giving an address for the service of notices and other documents.

*Documents to be sent by electoral registration officer to court*

3. The electoral registration officer shall, as soon as practicable after the receipt of the notice of appeal, forward to the office of the appropriate court—

- (a) the said notice;
- (b) any claim or notice of objection furnished in accordance with Rules 13 to 15 of the Registration Rules;
- (c) the revising officer's statement of the material facts which in his opinion have been established in the case and of his decisions upon the whole case and on any point which may be specified as a ground of appeal.

*Notices of appeal based on similar grounds*

4. Where the electoral registration officer is of opinion that two or more notices of appeal are based on similar grounds, he shall, when complying with Rule 3, also transmit to the said office a declaration in Form 2 setting forth that opinion.

*Records of particulars and fixing date of hearing*

5.—(1) The clerk of the Crown and peace of each county court—

- (a) shall maintain a book in the Form 10 (which may be known as the Registration Appeals Book);
- (b) shall consecutively number and enter in that book particulars of all notices of appeal duly served on him;
- (c) shall mark with the relevant number all notices and other documents subsequently received by him in relation to any appeal;
- (d) shall notify the judge of the lodgment of each appeal.

(2) The judge on being notified as aforesaid shall, as soon as may be, fix for the hearing of the appeal—

- (a) a time, which may be either any day on which the ordinary business of the court is to be dealt with, or a day specially fixed for such hearing, but not in any event being earlier than six clear days after the lodgment of the appeal;
- (b) a place, which may be the court-house where the appropriate court is held or such other court-house or place as the judge may deem convenient.

*Notice to a party of all appeals in which he is interested*

6. The clerk of the Crown and peace shall not less than three days before the hearing of the appeal notify in Form 3 any officer or other party named in a notice of appeal of the time and place fixed for the hearing, and may send to any officer or other party named in more than one notice of appeal one only such notification which shall set forth all the appeals in which that officer or party is interested and the date and place of hearing.

*Supply of copies of documents and use at hearing*

7.—(1) The clerk of the Crown and peace shall, on the application and at the cost of any party to an appeal, furnish him with a copy of any document transmitted to his office under Rule 3.

(2) Any document transmitted as aforesaid may be used on the hearing of the appeal and if used shall be received as prima facie evidence of the facts therein stated; but any party to the appeal may, by leave of the judge, bring in such further or other evidence as he may be advised.

(3) If in the opinion of the judge the material before the Court is insufficient to enable him to give judgment, he may require the revising officer to furnish him with further particulars; and it shall be the duty of such officer to comply so far as is practicable with such a requirement.

*Representation and appearance at hearing*

8.—(1) Any party to an appeal may appear or act thereon in person or by solicitor or counsel, or by any other person nominated by him in writing signed by him, provided that the judge may allow any party to appear or act by a person not nominated in writing if he is satisfied that such person is in fact authorised to appear or act for such party, and that the failure to obtain a nomination in writing is due to mistake or other reasonable cause.

(2) A person who is not a solicitor or of counsel shall not be entitled to have or recover any sum by way of fee or reward for appearing or acting on behalf of any party to an appeal.

*Directions by Judge as to service, amendment of documents, etc.*

9. Subject to Rule 19, the judge may at any stage of the proceedings on an appeal—

- (a) direct or allow the service of the notice of appeal on any officer or person on whom it has not been served but who in the opinion of the judge ought to or might properly have been served therewith;
- (b) direct or allow the amendment of the notice of appeal;
- (c) make such other order as he may think proper for the determination on the merits of any question at issue; and
- (d) exercise any of the above-mentioned powers on such terms as he may think just.

*Judge's note and copies where case stated required*

10. The judge shall make a note of any question of law raised at the hearing of an appeal and of the facts put in evidence in relation thereto and of his decision thereon and of his decision on the appeal and where notice is served requiring a case to be stated under section 45 of the Act of 1949 or Rule 17(2) of the Registration Rules he shall, at the request and expense of any party thereto, sign and furnish him with a copy of the note so taken.

*Costs of appeal*

11. The costs of and incidental to any appeal shall be in the discretion of the judge; and an order directing payment of any such costs shall be enforceable in like manner as an order to the like effect made in proceedings commenced by ordinary civil bill.

*Orders of Judge to be transmitted to electoral officer*

12.—(1) The order determining an appeal shall be in Form 4.

(2) The clerk of the Crown and peace shall, as soon as practicable after the making of any order on any appeal, transmit a copy thereof to the electoral registration officer and each other party thereto; and, subject to paragraph (3), the electoral registration officer shall, on receiving such copy, act in accordance with Rule 18 of the Registration Rules and make any necessary entry in or amendment of the Register.

(3) Where a notice requiring a case to be stated is lodged in respect of any appeal—

- (a) the clerk of the Crown and peace shall transmit a copy thereof to the electoral registration officer with the copy of the order transmitted as aforesaid;
- (b) the electoral registration officer shall not make any such entry or amendment as aforesaid until he has been notified of the decision given on the case stated.

*Consolidation of appeals*

13.—(1) Where it appears to the judge, whether from a declaration transmitted under Rule 4 of these Rules, or otherwise, that the determination impugned in two or more notices of appeal depend for their validity on the same point or points of law, the judge may declare in Form 5 that such appeals ought to be consolidated or that one appeal should be selected for hearing as a test case, and thereupon the following provisions shall apply and the time and place for the hearing thereof shall be fixed.

(2) The time and place fixed for the hearing of such selected appeal under paragraph (1) shall be notified in Form 6 by the clerk of the Crown and peace to the electoral registration officer and any other party named in the relevant notice of appeal and, subject to the provisions of Rule 6, to the electoral registration officer and any other party named in the notices of appeal relating to the said other appeals.

(3) The notification sent in respect of such other appeals as aforesaid shall require each party thereby notified to give notice in Form 7A (or 7B) to the clerk of the Crown and peace and to the parties named in the relevant notice of appeal within three days of the receipt by him of such notification that either—

(a) he consents to be bound (without prejudice to any right conferred by section 45(11)(a) of the Act of 1949 or Rule 17(2) of the Registration Rules) by the decision on the selected appeal directed to be heard as aforesaid; or

(b) he requires the appeal to be heard in which he is interested; and a notice of consent or otherwise given by a party under this paragraph may relate to (and if it so relates shall give particulars of) more than one appeal in which the electoral registration officer or party is interested by whom that notice is so given.

(4) Where in relation to any appeal no notice whether of consent or otherwise is given under paragraph (3), the parties named in the relevant notice of appeal shall (without prejudice to any right conferred by the provisions referred to in paragraph (3)(a)) be deemed to have consented to be bound as aforesaid.

(5) After the determination of the selected appeal and the making of the order thereon, the clerk of the Crown and peace shall, as soon as practicable, draw up in respect of each of the other appeals consolidated as aforesaid an order similar to the order made on the selected appeal but no costs shall be allowed to either side other than the court fees and the costs of and incidental to the notice of appeal and the request for the entry of the appeal for hearing and the notice sent by the clerk of the Crown and peace and any notice sent in reply thereto and the costs of and incidental to the order.

(6) Any party who consents or is deemed to consent to be bound as aforesaid and who has the same interest as the unsuccessful party to the appeal heard under this Rule shall be liable for the costs of such selected appeal in like manner and to the like extent as that party, and an order for the payment of such costs may be made and enforced against him accordingly.

(7) Where under paragraph (3) a notice is given requiring an appeal to be heard, that appeal shall be heard and determined after the determination of the appeal heard under paragraph (1).

(8) The party who has required such hearing shall, if unsuccessful, be liable to pay the costs thereof to the opposite party or parties appearing thereon, and, unless the judge otherwise orders, shall not, if successful, be entitled to receive any costs of or in such appeal other than the court fees and the costs of and incidental to the notice of appeal and the request for the entry of the appeal for hearing and the notice sent by the clerk of the Crown and peace and any notice sent in reply thereto and the costs of and incidental to the order.

## PART II

### CASES STATED BY THE COUNTY COURT ON APPEALS FROM THE REVISING OFFICER

#### *Requisition and transmission of case stated*

14.—(1) Any party desirous of appealing by way of case stated under section 45(11)(a) of the Act of 1949 or Rule 17(2) of the Registration Rules shall within six days from the giving of the decision whereby he is aggrieved serve on the clerk of the Crown and peace a notice in the Form 8 requiring a case to be stated, and shall forthwith serve a copy of that notice on each other party affected by that decision.

(2) Part II of Order 28 of the County Court Rules (Northern Ireland) 1965(d) shall apply to a case stated under these provisions.

#### *Consolidation of cases stated*

15.—(1) Where notices requiring a case to be stated have been served in respect of two or more decisions which in the opinion of the judge depend for their validity on the same point or points of law, the judge may, subject to any order which may be made by the Court of Appeal, direct that both or all such

cases shall be consolidated, and may in respect of both or all such cases state only one case (hereinafter referred to as a "consolidated case stated") which may be intitled in the names of the parties to either or any of the cases so consolidated (which case is hereinafter referred to as the "selected case"). The party who served the notice requiring a case stated in respect of the selected case shall, subject to any order which may be made by the Court of Appeal, have carriage of the appeal.

(2) Where the judge states a consolidated case stated he shall append thereto a copy of the direction given by him under paragraph (1) and such direction may be in Form 9.

(3) Subject to any order which may be made by the Court of Appeal, the clerk of the Crown and peace, as soon as he has notice of the order made by the Court of Appeal determining the point or points of law set forth in a consolidated case stated, shall forthwith draw up orders in respect of each of the cases consolidated as aforesaid.

(4) Subject to any order which may be made by the Court of Appeal—

- (a) the order drawn up by the clerk of the Crown and peace in respect of the selected case shall provide for the payment by the unsuccessful party thereto of the costs of and incidental to the order so drawn up;
- (b) a party to any case consolidated with the selected case who has the same interest as the unsuccessful party to that case shall be liable for the costs of the order drawn up as aforesaid, in like manner and to the like extent as such unsuccessful party, and an order for the payment of such costs may be made and enforced against him accordingly;
- (c) any order drawn up as aforesaid directing the payment of any costs shall be enforceable in like manner as an order to the like effect made in proceedings commenced by ordinary civil bill.

### PART III

#### GENERAL

##### *Manner of service*

16.—(1) Without prejudice to section 24 of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(e) or any other statutory provision governing the service of process in the county court, any notice or other document required or authorised by these Rules—

- (a) to be lodged with or served on any officer, may be sent by registered post or by the recorded delivery service to or left at his proper office;
- (b) to be sent to or served on any other party, may be sent by registered post or by the recorded delivery service or delivered to him at the address for service notified by him under Rule 2(2) or in default of such an address at his usual or last known place of abode.

(2) The service of any notice or other document under these Rules shall be sufficiently proved by production of the certificate of posting.

##### *Computation of time*

17. Without prejudice to section 39 of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954, in the computation of time for the purposes of these Rules, Saturday, Sunday, Christmas Day, Good Friday, and any bank holiday, or

(e) 1954. c. 33.

any day on which the offices of the court are closed shall not be reckoned; and where the time for doing any act or taking any proceeding under these Rules expires on any such day that act or proceeding shall as respects the time for doing or taking it be deemed to be duly done or taken on the next following day, not being one of any such days.

### Forms

**18.** Reference in these Rules to a Form by a number is a reference to the Form as numbered in the Schedule.

### *Application of the County Court Rules (Northern Ireland) 1965*

**19.** The procedure, rules and practice and court fees for the time being in force in county courts (other than Parts I and III of Order 28 and Rule 10 of Order 39 of the County Court Rules (Northern Ireland) 1965) shall apply to any proceeding not otherwise provided for herein with the substitution in the said Rules of 1965 of "appellant" for "plaintiff" and "respondent" for "defendant" and any other necessary modifications.

### *Interpretation*

**20.** In these Rules—

"appellant" means the person appealing under section 45 of the Act of 1949 or paragraph 17 of the Registration Rules;

"the Act of 1949" has the meaning assigned to it by Rule 1(1);

"the appropriate court" has the meaning assigned to it by Rule 1(1);

"the Act of 1962" has the meaning assigned to it by Rule 1(1);

"the electoral registration officer" means the electoral officer referred to in section 14(1) of the Act of 1962, being also the registration officer in accordance with section 6 of the Act of 1949;

"the judge" means the Recorder or county court judge having jurisdiction in the appropriate court, and includes any other person lawfully exercising that jurisdiction;

"the Registration Rules" means the Rules contained in Schedule 3 to the Act of 1962 (including those Rules as applied by Regulation 5(2) of the Representation of the People Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1969(f));

"the revising officer" means the officer acting as such in accordance with section 9(2) of the Act of 1949 and section 17 of the Act of 1962.

### *Revocation*

**21.** The Registration Appeal Rules (Northern Ireland) 1950(g) and the County Courts (Ireland) (Registration Appeal) Rules 1918(h) are hereby revoked.

### *Citation*

**22.** These Rules may be cited as the County Court (Electoral Registration Appeal) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1969 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1970.

(f) S.I. 1969, No. 905.

(g) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1950, No. 47.

(h) Provisional Rules not included in the annual volume of U.K. Statutory Rules and Orders.

SCHEDULE

FORM No. 1

**Request by Appellant for Entry of Appeal**

[RULE 2(2)]

IN THE COUNTY COURT/RECORDER'S COURT for the Division of

IN THE MATTER OF the Representation of the People Act 1949 [and/or the Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962]

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Appeal against the decision of the Revising Officer for

Between

A.B.  
of (address)

Appellant:

[and

C.D.  
of (address)

]

and  
The Electoral Registration Officer for

Respondent(s)

Sir,

I herewith forward to you copy of the notice of appeal in the above-mentioned matter given to [the above-named C.D. and to] the Electoral Registration Officer.

I request the Court to enter the appeal for hearing, and to fix a time and place for the hearing thereof.

Dated this                      day of                      19

A.B.                      Appellant  
(add address)

to which address all notices or other documents are to be sent.

To the clerk of the Crown and peace of the County Court/Recorder's Court for the said Division.





## FORM No. 3

**Notice of Time and Place for Hearing of Appeal or Appeals**

[RULE 6]

IN THE COUNTY COURT/RECORDER'S COURT for the                      Division of  
 IN THE MATTER OF the Representation of the People Act 1949 [and/or the  
 Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962]  
 AND IN THE MATTER of the Appeal(s) against the decision(s) of the Revising  
 Officer for set out in the Schedule hereto.

TAKE NOTICE, that the appeal(s) set out in the Schedule hereto in which you  
 are the Appellant [or the Respondent] will be heard at a Court to be held  
 at                      on                      the                      day of  
 19                      , at the hour of                      in the                      noon;

And that if you do not attend either in person or by your representative at  
 the time and place above-mentioned such proceedings will be taken and orders  
 made on the said appeal(s) as the Judge may think just.

Dated this                      day of                      19                      .

Clerk of the Crown and peace.

To (*the Appellant or the Respondent, naming him*)

## SCHEDULE OF APPEALS

No.	Appellant	Respondent
1	A.B. ( <i>address</i> )	[C.D. of ( <i>address</i> ) and] the Electoral Registration Officer
2	The same	E.F. ( <i>address</i> ) and the Electoral Registration Officer
3	and so on	

Or, where same Respondent

No.	Appellant	Respondent
4	G.H. (address)	[I.J. (address) and] the Electoral Registration Officer
5	K.L. (address)	The same
6	M.N. (address) and so on	The same

Clerk of the Crown and peace.

FORM No. 4

Order on Appeal

[RULE 12(1)]

BY THE COUNTY COURT JUDGE/RECORDER

IN THE COUNTY COURT/RECORDER'S COURT for the Division

IN THE MATTER OF THE Representation of the People Act 1949 [and/or the Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962]

No. of Appeal

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Appeal against the decision of the Revising Officer for

Between

A.B.  
of (address)

Appellant:

[and

C.D.  
of (address)

]

and

The Electoral Registration Officer for

Respondent(s)

UPON HEARING for the Appellant and for the Respondent(s) C.D. (and E.F.)

IT IS ORDERED that the decision of the Revising Officer regarding the name of [claiming to be] on the Register of Electors for the Registration Area of in the Polling District of in the Constituency of be affirmed [or (state the decision appealed against) be reversed] [or varied] and that (state the order made, and the exact alteration or correction to be made in the Register pursuant to the order).

AND IT IS ORDERED as regards costs that

Dated this day of 19

Clerk of the Crown and peace.

To (the Appellant and the Respondent, naming them) and to the Electoral Registration Officer for

FORM No. 5

**Declaration for Consolidation of Appeals Depending on the Same Point or Points of Law**

[RULE 13(1)]

BY THE COUNTY COURT JUDGE/RECORDER

IN THE COUNTY COURT/RECORDER'S COURT for the Division of

IN THE MATTER OF the Representation of the People Act 1949 [and/or the Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962]

AND IN THE MATTER OF the several Appeals against the decisions of the Revising Officer for enumerated in the Schedule hereto.

IT APPEARING to me that the several cases enumerated in the Schedule hereto depend and have been decided by the Revising Officer on the same point or points of law,

I DECLARE that such appeals ought to be consolidated.

AND I SELECT the appeal No.

Between

A.B.  
of (address)

Appellant:

[and

C.D.  
of (address)

]

and

The Electoral Registration Officer for

Respondent(s)

for hearing in the first instance as a test case.

Dated this day of 19

County Court Judge/Recorder  
[or Deputy Judge].

SCHEDULE OF APPEALS

No.	Appellants	Respondents
1	(Name and address) and so on	(Name and address) and the Electoral Registration Officer

County Court Judge/Recorder  
[or Deputy Judge].



In the case of any appeal in which you do not send any such notice as aforesaid you will be deemed to consent to be bound by the decision on the selected appeal (without prejudice to your right to appeal to the Court of Appeal under the said section 45 [or the said Rule] of the Act), and in any such case, after the selected appeal has been disposed of, an order similar to that made on the selected appeal will be made without further hearing on the appeal [or appeals] in which no notice is so sent; but no costs will be allowed to either side, other than the Court fees and the costs of and incidental to the notice [or notices] of appeal and the request for the entry of such appeal [or appeals] for hearing, and this notice and any notice sent in reply thereto and the costs of and incidental to the Order [or Orders] made.

The parties who consent or are deemed to consent to be bound by the decision on the selected appeal, and who are in the same interest as the unsuccessful party to such appeal, will be liable for the costs of such appeal in the same manner and to the same extent as the unsuccessful parties to such appeal, and an order directing them to pay such costs may be made and enforced accordingly, but no costs shall be allowed to either side other than the Court fees and the costs of and incidental to the notice of appeal and the request for the entry of the appeal for hearing and the notice sent by the clerk of the Crown and peace and any notice sent in reply thereto and the costs of and incidental to the Order.

If you send notice requiring any appeal to which you are a party to be heard, such appeal will be heard after the selected appeal is disposed of; but you will be liable to pay costs to the opposite party, and will not be entitled to receive any costs of or in such appeal, other than the Court fees and the costs of and incidental to the notice of appeal and the request for the entry of the appeal for hearing, and this notice and any notice sent in reply thereto and the costs of and incidental to the Order, unless the Judge shall otherwise order.

Dated this                      day of    19                      .

Clerk of the Crown and peace.

To the parties to the several appeals mentioned in the Schedule hereto, and to the Electoral Registration Officer for

SCHEDULE OF APPEALS

No.	Appellant	Respondents
1	<i>(Name and address)</i>	<i>(Name and address)</i> and the Electoral Registration Officer
2	<i>(Name and address)</i> and so on	<i>(Name and address)</i> and the Electoral Registration Officer

Clerk of the Crown and peace.

FORM NO. 7(A)

**Notice to the Clerk of the Crown and Peace and to the Electoral Registration Officer Consenting to be Bound by Decision on Selected Appeal, or Requiring Appeal to be Heard**

[RULE 13(3)]

IN THE COUNTY COURT/RECORDER'S COURT for the Division of  
IN THE MATTER OF the Representation of the People Act 1949 [or the Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962]  
AND IN THE MATTER OF the several Appeals against the decisions of the Revising Officer for enumerated in the Schedule hereto.

PURSUANT to the notice sent to me, dated the day of 19 , I hereby give you notice that I consent to be bound in the appeal set out in the Schedule hereto to which I am a party by the decision of the Court on the selected appeal

Between Appellant:  
A.B. [and ]  
C.D. ]  
and  
The Electoral Registration Officer for Respondent;  
without prejudice to my right to appeal to the Court of Appeal [or I hereby give you notice that I require the appeal set out in the Schedule hereto to which I am a party to be heard after the selected appeal

Between Appellant:  
A.B. [and ]  
C.D. ]  
and  
The Electoral Registration Officer for Respondent(s)  
has been disposed of].

Dated this day of 19  
E.F. Appellant  
[G.H. Respondent]

(add address)

To the clerk of the Crown and peace of the Court and to the Electoral Registration Officer for



SCHEDULE

Part I

APPEAL IN WHICH THE APPELLANT OR RESPONDENT CONSENTS TO BE BOUND

No.	Appellant	Respondents

Part II

APPEAL WHICH THE APPELLANT OR RESPONDENT REQUIRES TO BE HEARD

No.	Appellant	Respondents

E.F.

[or G.H.

or R.S.]

FORM No. 7(B)

**Notice to the Clerk of the Crown and Peace and to the Electoral Registration Officer Consenting to be Bound by Decision on Selected Appeal, or Requiring Appeals to be Heard, where the Same Person is Appellant or Respondent in a Number of Appeals**

[RULE 13(3)]

IN THE COUNTY COURT/RECORDER'S COURT for the Division of

IN THE MATTER OF the Representation of the People Act 1949 [or the Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962]

AND IN THE MATTER OF the several Appeals against the decisions of the Revising Officer for enumerated in the Schedule hereto.

PURSUANT to the notice sent to me, dated the day of 19 , I hereby give you notice that I consent to be bound in the several Appeals enumerated in the first part of the Schedule hereto to which I am a party by the decision of the Court on the selected Appeal

Between  
A.B. Appellant:  
[and  
C.D. ]  
and  
The Electoral Registration Officer for

Respondent(s)  
without prejudice to my right to appeal to the Court of Appeal [or I hereby give you notice that I require the several appeals enumerated in the Schedule hereto to which I am a party to be heard after the selected appeal

Between  
A.B. Appellant:  
[and  
C.D. ]  
and  
The Electoral Registration Officer for  
Respondent:  
has been disposed of].

Dated this day of 19

E.F. Appellant  
[G.H. Respondent]

(add address)

To the clerk of the Crown and peace of the Court and to the Electoral Registration Officer for

SCHEDULE

Part I

APPEALS IN WHICH THE APPELLANT OR RESPONDENT CONSENTS TO BE BOUND

No.	Appellant	Respondents

Part II

APPEALS WHICH THE APPELLANT OR RESPONDENT REQUIRES TO BE HEARD

No.	Appellant	Respondents

E.F.

[G.H.

R.S.]

FORM NO. 8

Notice of Requisition for Case Stated

[RULE 14(1)]

IN THE COUNTY COURT/RECORDER'S COURT for the Division of

IN THE MATTER OF the Representation of the People Act 1949 [or the Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962]

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Appeal against the decision of the Revising Officer for

No. of Appeal

Between

A.B.  
of (address)

Appellant:

[and

C.D.  
of (address)

]

and

The Electoral Registration Officer for

Respondent(s)

TAKE NOTICE, that I intend to appeal to the Court of Appeal from the decision of the Judge on the hearing of the above-mentioned appeal given on the day of 19 , whereby (state the decision appealed against) and request that the Judge state a case under section 45(11)(a) of the Representation of the People Act 1949 [or Rule 17(2) of the Registration Rules contained in Schedule 3 of the Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962] upon the following point(s):—

Dated this day of 19 .

A.B. Appellant:  
or C.D.  
(add address)

To (the opposite party, if any) and to the Electoral Registration Officer for and to the clerk of the Crown and peace of the said Court.

FORM NO. 9

**Direction by Judge that Cases stated in Respect of Decisions Depending upon the Same Point or Points of Law be Consolidated**

[RULE 15(1) AND (2)]

BY THE COUNTY COURT JUDGE/RECORDER

IN THE COUNTY COURT/RECORDER'S COURT for the Division of

IN THE MATTER OF the Representation of the People Act 1949 [and/or the Electoral Law Act (Northern Ireland) 1962]

No. of Appeal

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Appeal against the decision of the Revising Officer for

Between

A.B.  
of (address)

Appellant:

[and

C.D.  
of (address)

and

The Electoral Registration Officer for

Respondent(s)

and

IN THE MATTER OF the several other Appeals against the decision of the said Revising Officer referred to by number in the Schedule hereto.

At a Court held before me at \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_  
A.B. of \_\_\_\_\_ appealed against the decision  
of the Revising Officer for  
(state the decision appealed against)

On the hearing of the said appeal I decided (state the decision)

The questions of law raised on the appeal, and the facts [found] [agreed to by the parties] in evidence in relation thereto, and my decision thereon and my decision on the hearing of the appeal, are stated in the consolidated case stated signed by me.

The several persons whose names and qualifications are set out in the Schedule hereto were parties as Appellants [or Respondents] to appeals (numbered in the Schedule hereto) from decisions of the Revising Officer given in circumstances similar to those in the case above referred to, and similar decisions were given by me on all the said appeals. Notices requiring a case to be stated having been served in respect of all the above-mentioned appeals, I directed that for the purposes of the case stated those cases be consolidated.

And I named A.B. of  
 to be Appellant [or C.D. of  
 to be Respondent] in the consolidated case stated on behalf of himself and  
 all other persons interested in like manner.

Dated this                      day of    19 .

County Court Judge/Recorder  
 [or Deputy Judge].

**SCHEDULE**

LIST OF CONSOLIDATED CASES

**Part I**

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**Part II**

NAMES AND QUALIFICATIONS OF PERSONS INTERESTED AS RESPONDENTS

No. of Appeal	Name and Qualification

FORM No. 10

**REGISTER OF APPEALS**

[RULE 5]

REGISTER OF APPEALS FROM REVISING OFFICERS UNDER THE REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACT 1949

[or THE ELECTORAL LAW ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1962]

No. 345

No. of Appeal	Name and address of Appellant	Names and addresses of Respondents	Date when requests for entry received	Fee on request	Date and place of hearing	Appearance		Minute of Order	Costs allowed	Result of Appeal (if any) to Court of Appeal
						Appellants	Respondents			

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Rules but is intended to indicate their general purport.)*

These Rules govern the procedure for appealing to a county court judge from the decision of a revising officer on a claim for correction of an entry in the electoral lists or a claim for or objection to inclusion of a person's name in such lists whether for the purposes of elections to the Parliament of the United Kingdom or of Northern Ireland or local government elections in Northern Ireland.