



# Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986

## CHAPTER 46

### COMPANY DIRECTORS DISQUALIFICATION ACT 1986

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#### Part I — MATTERS APPLICABLE IN ALL CASES

- 1 Any misfeasance or breach of any fiduciary or other duty...
- 2 Any misapplication or retention by the director of, or any...
- 3 The extent of the director's responsibility for the company entering...
- 4 The extent of the director's responsibility for any failure by...
- 4A The extent of the director's responsibility for any failure by...
- 5 The extent of the director's responsibility for any failure by...
- 5A In the application of this Part of this Schedule in...

#### Part II — MATTERS APPLICABLE WHERE COMPANY HAS BECOME INSOLVENT

- 6 The extent of the director's responsibility for the causes of...

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- 7 The extent of the director's responsibility for any failure by...
- 8 The extent of the director's responsibility for the company entering...
- 9 The extent of the director's responsibility for any failure by...
- 10 Any failure by the director to comply with any obligation...

#### SCHEDULE 2 — Savings from Companies Act 1981 ss. 93, 94, and Insolvency Act 1985 Schedule 9

- 1 Sections 2 and 4(1)(b) do not apply in relation to...
- 2 Subject to paragraph 1— (a) section 2 applies in a...
- 3 Subject to paragraph 1, section 4 applies in relation to...
- 4 The powers of a court under section 5 are not...
- 5 For purposes of section 3(1) and section 5, no account...
- 6 An order made under section 28 of the Companies Act...
- 7 Where— (a) an application is made for a disqualification order...
- 8 An application shall not be made under section 8 of...

#### SCHEDULE 3 — Transitional Provisions and Savings

- 1 In this Schedule, “the former enactments” means so much of...
- 2 So far as anything done or treated as done under...
- 3 Where any period of time specified in a provision of...
- 4 Where in any provision of this Act there is a...
- 5 Offences committed before the appointed day under any provision of...
- 6 A reference in any enactment, instrument or document (whether express...

#### SCHEDULE 4 — Repeals

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