

# Police Reform Act 2002

#### **2002 CHAPTER 30**

## [F1PART 2B

#### INVESTIGATION OF CONCERNS RAISED BY WHISTLE-BLOWERS

# [F129H [F2Director General's] powers and duties where whistle-blower is deceased

- (1) The power of the [F3Director General] to carry out an investigation under section 29D(1) applies where the whistle-blower dies before the [F3Director General] becomes aware of the concern (or before [F4the Director General] decides to investigate).
- (2) Any investigation begun by the [F3Director General] under section 29D(1) before the death of the whistle-blower may be continued after the death.
- (3) Where a whistle-blower dies—
  - (a) any requirement under this Part to obtain the consent of the whistleblower may be satisfied by obtaining the consent of that person's approved representative;
  - (b) any requirement under this Part to give any document or other information to the whistle-blower may be satisfied by giving the document or other information to the person's approved representative;
  - (c) any requirement under this Part not to disclose the identity of the whistle-blower does not apply or (where the [F3Director General] became aware of the concern before the death) ceases to apply.
- (4) For the purpose of this section, "approved representative" means a person who has been approved by the [F3Director General] for the purposes of this Part.
- (5) The [F3Director General] may only approve a person who is—
  - (a) the widow or widower (or surviving civil partner) of the deceased whistle-blower,
  - (b) a personal representative (within the meaning of section 55(1)(xi) of the Administration of Estates Act 1925) of the deceased whistle-blower, or

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(c) any other person appearing to the [F3Director General] to have, by reason of a family or similar relationship with the deceased whistle-blower, a relevant interest in the outcome of the concern.]

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1 Pt. 2B inserted (31.1.2017 for specified purposes) by Policing and Crime Act 2017 (c. 3), ss. 28(1), 183(1)(5)(e)
- F2 Words in s. 29H heading substituted (31.1.2017 for specified purposes, 8.1.2018 in so far as not already in force) by Policing and Crime Act 2017 (c. 3), s. 183(1)(5)(e), Sch. 9 para. 46(3); S.I. 2017/1249, reg. 2 (with reg. 3)
- F3 Words in s. 29H substituted (31.1.2017 for specified purposes, 8.1.2018 in so far as not already in force) by Policing and Crime Act 2017 (c. 3), s. 183(1)(5)(e), Sch. 9 para. 46(2); S.I. 2017/1249, reg. 2 (with reg. 3)
- F4 Words in s. 29H(1) substituted (31.1.2017 for specified purposes, 8.1.2018 in so far as not already in force) by Policing and Crime Act 2017 (c. 3), s. 183(1)(5)(e), Sch. 9 para. 46(4); S.I. 2017/1249, reg. 2 (with reg. 3)

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