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JUDICATURE, NORTHERN IRELAND

**The Judicature (Northern Ireland) Act 1978
(Commencement No. 3) Order 1979**

Made - - - - - 30th January 1979

The Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 123(2) and (3) of the Judicature (Northern Ireland) Act 1978(a), hereby makes the following Order:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Judicature (Northern Ireland) Act 1978 (Commencement No. 3) Order 1979.

(2) In this Order—

“the Act” means the Judicature (Northern Ireland) Act 1978; and

“the Order” means the Juries (Northern Ireland) Order 1974(b);

2. Insofar as it relates to the provisions of Schedule 5 to the Act which are mentioned in Articles 3 and 4 of this Order, section 122(1) of the Act shall come into force on the dates severally specified in relation to those provisions.

3.—(1) Subject to the adaptations specified in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this Article, Part II of Schedule 5 to the Act shall, in so far as it amends Articles 2 and 4 of the Order, come into force on 21st February 1979.

(2) Until the day appointed for the coming into force of section 95 of the Act, Article 2(2) of the Order shall have effect with the substitution for the definition of “division” of the following definitions:—

“division” means, unless the contrary intention appears, one of the divisions listed in column 1 of the following table each of which shall comprise the local government districts specified in relation to that division in column 2 of that table and the boundary of each division shall be such as to include the local government districts so specified.

(a) 1973 c. 23.

(b) S.I. 1974/2143 (N.I. 6).

TABLE

1. Division	2. Local government districts comprised in each division
Londonderry	Londonderry Limavady Magherafelt Strabane
North Antrim	Coleraine Ballymoney Moyle Ballymena Antrim
South Antrim	Larne Newtownabbey Carrickfergus
Fermanagh and Tyrone ...	Cookstown Omagh Fermanagh Dungannon
Armagh	Craigavon Armagh
South Down	Newry and Mourne Banbridge Down
Ards	Lisburn North Down Ards Castlereagh
Belfast	Belfast

“local government district” means one of the districts into which Northern Ireland is divided for the purposes of local government by virtue of the Local Government (Boundaries) Order (Northern Ireland) 1972.’ (a)

(3) Until the day appointed for the coming into force of section 69 of the Act, Article 2(2) of the Order shall have effect with the substitution for the definition of “the Juries Officer” of the following definition:—

“the Juries Officer” in relation to a division means such person as the Lord Chancellor may designate to be the Juries Officer for that division;’

4. Part II of Schedule 5 to the Act shall, in so far as it amends Article 5 of the Order, come into force on 1st September 1979 and nothing in the preceding provisions of this Order shall affect the operation of that Article until that date.

Elwyn-Jones, C.

Dated 30th January 1979.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order brings into operation, with transitional adaptations, provisions of the Judicature (Northern Ireland) Act 1978 which amend the Juries (Northern Ireland) Order 1974.

The provisions brought into operation on 21st February 1979 will enable the lists of jurors which will be used for the year beginning 1st September 1979 to be drawn up on a new basis to take account of the territorial reorganisation of county courts provided for by the Judicature (Northern Ireland) Act 1978; and the provisions brought into operation on 1st September 1979 will enable those new lists to be used for the selection and summoning of jurors from that date.

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