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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2000 No. 2619**

**Protection of Children Act Tribunal Regulations 2000**

**PART I**

*Introductory*

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

**1.—**(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Protection of Children Act Tribunal Regulations 2000 and shall come into force on 2nd October 2000.

(2) In these Regulations—

“the Act” means the Protection of Children Act 1999;

“application” means, unless the context otherwise requires, an application under regulation 2 or 3;

“the clerk” means, in relation to a hearing before the Tribunal, the person appointed by the Secretary to act as clerk to the Tribunal;

“costs order” shall be construed in accordance with regulation 32;

“county court” has the same meaning as in the County Courts Act 1984<sup>(1)</sup>;

“the court” has the same meaning as in section 66(1) of the Arbitration Act 1996<sup>(2)</sup>;

“document” means information recorded in writing or in any other form;

“the Education Regulations” means the Education (Restriction of Employment) Regulations 2000<sup>(3)</sup>;

“an institution within the further education sector” shall be construed in accordance with section 4(3) of the Education Act 1996<sup>(4)</sup>;

“the list” means the list kept under section 1 of the Act;

“local authority” has the same meaning as in the Children Act 1989<sup>(5)</sup>;

“local education authority” shall be construed in accordance with section 12 of the Education Act 1996;

“nursery school” has the same meaning as in section 6 of the Education Act 1996;

“a party” means either the applicant or the respondent;

“parties” means the applicant and the respondent;

“records” means the records of the Tribunal;

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(1) 1984 c. 28.  
(2) 1996 c. 23.  
(3) S.I.2000/2419.  
(4) 1996 c. 56.  
(5) 1989 c. 41.

“relevant programme” means a programme included in a programme service within the meaning of the Broadcasting Act 1990<sup>(6)</sup>;

“relevant social work” has the same meaning as in section 10 of the Health and Social Services and Social Security Adjudications Act 1983<sup>(7)</sup>;

“the respondent” means—

- (a) in relation to an appeal or application under section 4 of the Act, the Secretary of State for Health; and
- (b) in relation to an appeal under the Education Regulations, the Secretary of State for Education and Employment or the National Assembly for Wales;

“school” has the same meaning as in section 4 of the Education Act 1996;

“the Secretary” means the person for the time being acting as the Secretary to the Tribunal; and

“working day” means any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday, Christmas Day, Good Friday or a day which is a bank holiday within the meaning of the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971<sup>(8)</sup>.

(3) In these Regulations, a reference—

- (a) to a numbered regulation is to the regulation in these Regulations bearing that number;
- (b) in a regulation to a numbered paragraph is to the paragraph of that regulation bearing that number;
- (c) in a paragraph to a numbered or lettered sub-paragraph is to the sub-paragraph of that paragraph bearing that number or letter.

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<sup>(6)</sup> 1990 c. 42.  
<sup>(7)</sup> 1983 c. 41.  
<sup>(8)</sup> 1971 c. 80.