

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends section 9 of the Wills Act 1837 (c.26) to provide that the witnessing of wills may take place via videoconferencing or other visual transmission. This amendment applies where a will is made between 31 January 2020 and 31 January 2022 but does not affect any grant of probate or anything done pursuant to a grant of probate prior to its coming into force.

No impact assessment has been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private or voluntary sector is foreseen.