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### NORTHERN IRELAND COURT SERVICE

Notice is hereby given that the Lord Chancellor in exercise of the powers conferred on him by Section 23 of the Magistrates' Courts Act (Northern Ireland) 1964 and Section 7 of the Costs in Criminal Cases Act (Northern Ireland) 1968 on the advice of the Magistrates' Courts Rules Committee and after consultation with the Lord Chief Justice has made a Statutory Rule entitled the Magistrates' Courts (Costs in Criminal Cases) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1980. (SR 1980 No. 372.) These rules which come into operation on 1st December, 1980 provide for the maximum amounts which may be ordered by a Magistrates' Court in a criminal case to be paid by the defendant or, as the case may be, by the prosecutor for solicitors' or counsel's fees or for personal litigants' costs or in connection with the attendance of witnesses at the hearing. The rules replace the Magistrates' Courts (Costs in Criminal Cases) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1979, which are revoked. The new rules increase certain amounts payable in connection with the attendance of witnesses.

Copies of the rules may be obtained from the Government Bookshop, 80 Chichester Street, Belfast BT1 4JY.

Notice is hereby given that the Lord Chancellor in pursuance of Section 23 of the Magistrates' Courts Act (Northern Ireland) 1964 and Articles 8(8), 14(2) (b), 18(8), 18(9), 21(4), 25(1) and 26(2) of the Domestic Proceedings (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 on the advice of the Magistrates' Courts Rules Committee and after consultation with the Lord Chief Justice has made a Statutory Rule entitled the Magistrates' Courts (Domestic Proceedings) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1980. (SR 1980 No. 371.) These rules which come into operation on 1st December, 1980 make provision, in relation to courts of summary jurisdiction, for the various matters which are to be prescribed under the Domestic Proceedings (Northern Ireland) Order 1980. The rules provide for applications for orders for financial provision for the parties to a marriage and for the custody of, access to, maintenance of and supervision or care of children of the family.

Provision is further made about orders for the protection of such parties and children from domestic violence and about the enforcement, variation, revocation and cessation of orders to which the rules apply.

Copies of the rules may be obtained from the Government Bookshop, 80 Chichester Street, Belfast BT1 4JY.

### NORTHERN IRELAND OFFICE

Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of State in pursuance of Article 1(2) of the Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (Northern Ireland) Order 1979 has made a Statutory Rule entitled the Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (1979 Order) (Commencement No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1980 (SR No. 386 (C.13)).

The order which comes into operation on 24th November, 1980 brings into force the remainder of the Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (Northern Ireland) Order 1979; of which Article 3 was brought into force by the Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (1979 Order) (Commencement No. 1) Order (Northern Ireland) 1979 (SI 1979/439 (C.17)).

Copies of the order may be purchased from the Government Bookshop, 80 Chichester Street, Belfast BT1 4JY.

Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of State in pursuance of Section 4 and 14 of the Legal Aid and Advice Act (Northern Ireland) 1965 and with the concurrence of Treasury has made a Statutory Rule entitled Legal Aid (General) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1980. (SR 1980 No. 391).

These regulations amend the Legal Aid (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1965 so as to provide for the assessment of resources to be carried out by an officer appointed by the Department of Health and Social Services instead of the Supplementary Benefits Commission for Northern Ireland which is abolished by the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 (SI 1980 No. 870 (NI.8)).

Copies of the regulations may be purchased from the Government Bookshop, 80 Chichester Street, Belfast BT1 4JY.

### POLICE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1970

Notice is hereby given that the Ulster Special Constabulary Pensions (Lump Sum Payment to Widows) Regulations 1980 (SR 1980 No. 352) have been made by the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.

Copies of the Regulations may be obtained at an early date from the Government Bookshop, 80 Chichester Street, Belfast, or through any book-seller.