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LETTERS PATENT FOR THE APPOINT-MENT OF JUSTICES TO ACT DURING THE ABSENCE OF THE GOVERNOR OF NORTHERN IRELAND.

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WHEREAS by certain Letters Patent passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom on the Ninth day of December, 1922, His Majesty has been pleased to constitute, order and declare that there shall be a Governor in and over Northern Ireland, and (amongst other powers and authorities) to grant to the Governor for the time being of Northern Ireland full power and authority of naming and appointing by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of Northern Ireland or, until such Great Seal shall be provided, under his private seal, such person or persons and the survivor or survivors of them as the said Governor shall think proper to be His Majesty's Deputy or Deputies, Justice or Justices during His Majesty's Pleasure for the government of Northern Ireland in the absence of the Governor from Northern Ireland :

And whereas by Instructions passed under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet on the Ninth day of December, 1922, it has pleased His Majesty to direct (amongst other things) that the Governor of Northern Ireland shall not quit Northern Ireland without having first obtained from His Majesty leave for so doing and His Majesty's approval of the person or persons to be appointed Deputy or Deputies, Justice or Justices in his absence:

And whereas by Warrant passed under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet on the twentyninth day of December, 1922 (hereinafter re-ferred to as the Leave Warrant), His Majesty has been pleased to grant unto me, James Albert Edward, Duke of Abercorn, Governor of Northern Ireland, until further order or direction shall be given to me by one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, leave to absent myself from Northern Ireland from time to time as to me in my discretion shall seem fit whenever I shall consider it necessary for the purpose of public or private business, and has approved of the appointment of the persons therein and hereinafter named or any one or more of them to be His Majesty's Justice or Justices for the government of Northern Ireland in my absence as aforesaid, and has authorized and required me to cause Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of Northern Ireland or, if such Seal has not been provided, under my private Seal appointing the said persons or any one or more of them to be such Justice or Justices accordingly, and has further required that the Letters Patent to be so passed shall contain such provisions as are in the said Leave Warrant and hereinafter set out with respect to the duration of the said Letters Patent and such other provisions as seem to me to be necessary or proper, including provisions for the carrying out of such instructions as I may from time to time think fit to leave with or to transmit to the said Justice or Justices and also provisions for the saving of any powers and authorities given to me: