STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2016 No. 745 (L. 10)

MAGISTRATES' COURTS, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Magistrates' Courts (Forfeiture of Political Donations) (Amendment) Rules 2016

Made - - - -	*12th July 2016*
Laid before Parliament	*14th July 2016*
Coming into force - -	*8th August 2016*

The Lord Chief Justice, with the concurrence of the Lord Chancellor, and in exercise of the powers conferred by section 144(1) of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980(**1**) and paragraph 19(1) of Schedule 4 to the Recall of MPs Act 2015(**2**), makes the following Rules.

Citation and commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Rules may be cited as the Magistrates' Courts (Forfeiture of Political Donations) (Amendment) Rules 2016 and come into force on 8th August 2016.

(2) In these Rules, "the 2003 Rules" mean the Magistrates' Courts (Forfeiture of Political Donations) Rules 2003(**3**) and a reference to a rule by number alone means the rule so numbered in the 2003 rules.

Amendment to the 2003 Rules

2. In rule 1(2)—

(a) before paragraph (a) insert—

"(za) the "2015 Act" means the Recall of MPs Act 2015;";

(b) for paragraphs (d) (definition of "forfeiture order") and (e) (definition of "respondent"), substitute—

"(d) "forfeiture order" means—

(**1**) 1980 c. 43. Section 144(1) was amended by section 15(1) of, and paragraphs 99 and 102(1) and (3)(a) and (b) of Part 1 of Schedule 4 to, the Constitutional Reform Act 2005 (c. 4), section 109(1), paragraph 245(1) and (2) of Schedule 8 to, the Courts Act 2003 (c. 39), article 3(2), paragraph 1(1) and (4) of Schedule 2 to, S.I. 2012/2398, section 17(6) of, and paragraph 39 and 52 of Part 2 and paragraph 99 of Part 3 of Schedule 10 to, the Crime and Courts Act 2013 (c. 22).

(**2**) 2015 c. 25.

(**3**) S.I. 2003/1645, which was amended by S.I. 2005/617.