*Draft Order in Council laid before Parliament under section 2(4) of the Judicature (Northern Ireland) Act 1978 for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament*

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# 2004 No.

# SUPREME COURT OF NORTHERN IRELAND CONSTITUTION

## The Maximum Number of Judges (Northern Ireland) Order 2004

*Made - - - - 2004*

*Coming into force in accordance with Article 1*

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the day of 2004

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas a draft of this Order has been approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred upon Her by section 2(3) of the Judicature (Northern Ireland) Act 1978(**1**) and of all other powers enabling Her in that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

**1.** This Order may be cited as the Maximum Number of Judges (Northern Ireland) Order 2004 and shall come into force on the day after that on which it is made.

**2.** In section 2(1) of the Judicature (Northern Ireland) Act 1978 (the High Court) for the words "not more than nine puisne judges" there shall be substituted the words "not more than ten puisne judges" and accordingly the Maximum Number of Judges (Northern Ireland) Order 2001(**2**) is hereby revoked.

Clerk of the Privy Council

(**1**) 1978 c. 23.
(**2**) S.I.2001/958.