STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2010 No. 93

LEGAL AID AND ADVICE

Legal Aid (General) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010

Made - - - - 10th March 2010

To be laid before Parliament

Coming into operation 1st April 2010

The Lord Chancellor makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 12(5), 22 and 27 of the Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(**1**), and now vested in him(**2**).

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Legal Aid (General) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2010 and shall come into operation on 1st April 2010.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations, "the Commission" means the Northern Ireland Legal Services Commission established under Article 3 of the Access to Justice (Northern Ireland) Order 2003(**3**).

Application

3. These Regulations apply to cases in which the Commission grants a certificate on or after 1st April 2010.

4. The Legal Aid (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1965(**4**) continue to apply as if these Regulations had not been made in respect of cases in which the Commission grants a certificate before 1st April 2010.

(**1**) S.I. 1981/228 (N.I. 8); Article 27 is an interpretation provision and is recited because of the meaning assigned to the word "regulations"
(**2**) S.I. 1982/159
(**3**) S.I. 2003/435 (N.I. 10)
(**4**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1965 No. 217