STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2004 No. 168

LEGAL AID AND ADVICE

Legal Advice and Assistance (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004

Made - - - -	*24th March 2004*
To be laid before Parliament	
Coming into operation	*17th May 2004*

The Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 14, 22 and 27 of the Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(**1**), and now vested in him(**2**), hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Legal Advice and Assistance (Amendment No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2004 and shall come into operation on 17th May 2004.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations "the principal regulations" means the Legal Advice and Assistance Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981(**3**).

Amendment to the principal regulations

3. In paragraph 1A of Schedule 1 to the principal regulations for the words "a man and a woman who are living with each other in the same household as husband and wife" there shall be substituted "a client and anyone with whom the client normally resides as a couple, including a person of the same sex,".

(**1**) S.I.1981/228 (N.I. 8); Article 27 is an interpretation provision and is recited because of the meaning assigned to the words "prescribed" and "regulations"
(**2**) S.I. 1982/159
(**3**) S.R. 1981/366; to which the most recent relevant amendment was made by S.R. 1990 No. 104