STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1997 No. 90

LEGAL AID AND ADVICE

Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997

Made - - - - 21st February 1997

To be laid before Parliament

Coming into operation 7th April 1997

The Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 9(2), 12(2), 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, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997 and shall come into operation on 7th April 1997.

(2) In these Regulations—

(a) "the Order" means the Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (Northern Ireland) Order 1981;

(b) "personal injuries" includes any death and any disease or other impairment of a person's physical or mental condition.

Saving and revocation

2.—(1) These Regulations shall apply to any application for legal aid where the period of computation, as defined in Regulation 1(2) of the Legal Aid (Assessment of Resources) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1981(**3**), begins on or after 7th April 1997.

(2) The Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996(**4**) are hereby revoked save in their application to any case to which paragraph (1) does not apply.

(**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 No. 189; to which the most recent relevant amendments were made by S.R. 1993 No. 122
(**4**) S.R. 1996 No. 97