STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1996 No. 56

MAGISTRATES' COURTS

Magistrates' Courts (Family Law Act 1986) (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1996

Made - - - - 27th February 1996

Coming into operation 18th March 1996

The Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by Article 13 of the Magistrates' Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(**1**), section 27 of the Family Law Act 1986(**2**) and all other powers enabling him in that behalf on the advice of the Magistrates' Courts Rules Committee and after consultation with the Lord Chief Justice, hereby makes the following rules:—

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Magistrates' Courts (Family Law Act 1986) (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1996 and shall come into operation on 18th March 1996.

Amendment of the Magistrates' Courts (Family Law Act 1986) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1988

2. The Magistrates' Courts (Family Law Act 1986) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1988(**3**) shall be amended as follows:

(1) in Rule 2(1):

(i) for the definition of "the appropriate court" there shall be substituted the following definition—

> ""the appropriate court" means in relation to England and Wales, the High Court, in relation to Scotland, the Court of Sessions and in relation to the Isle of Man, the High Court of Justice of the Isle of Man;";
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> and;

(ii) after the definition of "the appropriate court" there shall be inserted the following definition—

> ""the Chief Registrar" means the Chief Registrar in the Isle of Man;";

(**1**) S.I. 1981/1675 (N.I. 26)
(**2**) 1986 c. 55
(**3**) S.R. 1988 No. 113