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LEGAL AID AND ADVICE

Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979

Made . . . . . *15th October* 1979

Coming into operation . . . *12th November* 1979

To be laid before Parliament

The Secretary of State in pursuance of sections 2 and 3 of the Legal Aid and Advice Act (Northern Ireland) 1965(a), hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979 and shall come into operation on 12th November 1979.

(2) In these regulations "the Act" means the Legal Aid and Advice Act (Northern Ireland) 1965.

Disposable income for the purposes of section 2 of the Act

2. Subject to the provisions of section 2(1) of the Act, legal aid shall be available to any person whose disposable income does not exceed £4,075 a year instead of the amount prescribed under that subsection by regulation 2(1) of the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979(b).

Contribution to the Legal Aid Fund

3. A person's contribution to the Legal Aid Fund in respect of any proceedings may include a contribution in respect of income not greater than one-third of the amount (if any) by which his disposable income exceeds £1,700 a year instead of the amount prescribed under section 3(1)(*a*) of the Act by regulation 3(1) of the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979.

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One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State

Northern Ireland Office
15th October 1979

(a) 1965 c. 8 (N.I.) as modified by S.I. 1973/2163 (1973 III, p. 7541) and amended by S.I. 1977/1252 (N.I. 19)
(b) S.R. 1979 No. 175