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LEGAL AID AND ADVICE

Legal Aid (Financial Conditions No. 3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1976

Made . . . . . *17th November* 1976

Coming into operation . . . *20th December* 1976

To be laid before Parliament

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

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions No. 3) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1976 and shall come into operation on 20th December 1976.

(2) In these regulations—

"the Act" means the Legal Aid and Advice Act (Northern Ireland) 1965;

"the Regulations of 1972" means the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1972(**c**).

Limit of disposable capital under section 2 of the Act

2. For the purposes of section 2(1) of the Act, a person may be refused legal aid if he has a disposable capital of more than £1,400 instead of the amount prescribed by regulation 2 of the Regulations of 1972.

Amount of disposable capital above which contribution may be payable under section 3

3. For the purposes of section 3(1)(*b*) of the Act a person's contribution to the Legal Aid Fund may include a contribution in respect of capital not greater than the amount (if any) by which his disposable capital exceeds £300 instead of the amount prescribed by regulation 3 of the Regulations of 1972.

Roy Mason
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State

Northern Ireland Office
17th November 1976

(a) Formerly the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, *see* S.I. 1973/2163 (1973 III, p. 7541)
(b) 1965 c. 8 (N.I.)
(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1972 No. 329 (p. 1651)