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# LEGAL AID

## Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975

*Made* . . . . . *26th March* 1975

*Coming into operation* . . . *1st May* 1975

*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) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1975 and shall come into operation on 1st May 1975.

(2) In these regulations—

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

"the Regulations of 1974" means the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1974(**b**).

*Disposable income for purposes of section 2 of the Act*

**2.** Subject to the proviso to section 2(1) of the Act, legal aid shall be available for any person whose disposable income does not exceed £1,380 a year, instead of the amount prescribed under that subsection by regulation 2 of the Regulations of 1974.

*Contribution to Legal Aid Fund*

**3.** A person's contribution to the Legal Aid Fund in respect of any proceedings may, subject to section 3(3) of the Act, include a contribution in respect of income not greater than one-third of the amount (if any) by which his disposable income exceeds £440 a year instead of the amount prescribed under section 3(1)(*a*) of the Act by regulation 3 of the Regulations of 1974.

*Merlyn Rees*
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State

Northern Ireland Office
26th March 1975

(**a**) 1965 c. 8 (N.I.)

(**b**) S.R. 1974 No. 127