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LEGAL AID

Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1974

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To be laid before Parliament

REGULATIONS, DATED 14TH JUNE 1974, MADE BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE UNDER SECTIONS 2 AND 3 OF THE LEGAL AID AND ADVICE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1965.

In pursuance of sections 2 and 3 of the Legal Aid and Advice Act (Northern Ireland) 1965(a) I hereby make the following Regulations:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1974 and shall come into operation on 1st August 1974.

(2) In these Regulations "the Act" means the Legal Aid and Advice Act (Northern Ireland) 1965 and "the Regulations of 1970" means the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1970(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 £1,175 a year, instead of the amount prescribed by that subsection as amended by Regulation 2 of the Regulations of 1970.

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 £375 a year instead of the amount prescribed by section 3(1)(*a*) of the Act as amended by Regulation 3 of the Regulations of 1970.

Merlyn Rees,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Northern Ireland Office
14th June 1974

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

(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1970, No. 286.