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MAGISTRATES' COURTS

Costs in Affiliation and Maintenance Proceedings (Amendment)

RULES, DATED 19TH DECEMBER 1973, MADE BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE UNDER SECTION 23 OF THE MAGISTRATES' COURTS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1964.

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 23 of the Magistrates' Courts Act (Northern Ireland) 1964(**a**) and section 1(1) of the Northern Ireland (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972(**b**) and of every other power enabling me in that behalf, on the recommendation of the Magistrates' Courts Rules Committee and after consultation with the Lord Chief Justice, I do hereby make the following Rules:—

Citation

1. These Rules may be cited as the Magistrates' Courts (Costs in Affiliation and Maintenance Proceedings) (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1973.

Amendment of Rules of 1966

2. In the Schedule to the Magistrates' Courts (Costs in Affiliation and Separation and Maintenance Proceedings) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1966(**c**) for the expression "£21 0s. 0d.", where it twice occurs, there shall be substituted the expression "£30.00".

Dated this 19th day of December 1973.

Francis Pym,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Rules, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Rules increase the maximum figure for costs recoverable in the Magistrates' Courts by a successful party from an unsuccessful party in affiliation and maintenance proceedings from £21.00 to £30.00 in respect of a solicitor's remuneration and outlay and counsel's fee respectively.

(**a**) 1964. c. 21 (N.I.).
(**b**) 1972. c. 22.
(**c**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1966, No. 277.