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CRIMINAL INJURIES TO PROPERTY

Compensation

REGULATIONS, DATED 30TH MARCH 1973, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTION 10 OF THE CRIMINAL INJURIES TO PROPERTY (COMPENSATION) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1971.

The Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministry") with the approval of the Ministry of Finance, on behalf of the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 10 of the Criminal Injuries to Property (Compensation) Act (Northern Ireland) 1971(a) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and all other powers enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Criminal Injuries to Property (Compensation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1973.

Preliminary Notice of Intention to apply for compensation

2.—(1) The applicant shall serve or cause to be served a preliminary notice of intention on every person, other than the applicant, who has a mortgage, lien, charge or any other legal interest in the property damaged or unlawfully removed.

(2) Every preliminary notice shall be in writing on a form approved by the Ministry.

(3) Where the property damaged is let to the applicant or is held under a fee farm grant, unless the Ministry otherwise directs, paragraph (1) shall not operate so as to require service of the notice referred to in that paragraph on a lessor other than the applicant's immediate lessor or grantor.

Application for compensation

3.—(1) Every application shall be made on a form approved by the Ministry.

(2) Where the property damaged is subject to a mortgage to a building society the applicant shall attach to his application a certificate of title giving the address of the property, the nature of the applicant's estate, the name and address of the society and a statement that the property was investigated by the society's solicitor and that the solicitor on a specified date reported in writing that he considered the title of the applicant good and sufficient for the purposes of the society.

Supply of forms

4. The form of preliminary notice of intention to apply for compensation and the form of application for compensation shall be supplied without charge by the Ministry or by such persons as the Ministry may appoint or authorise for that purpose.

(a) 1971. c. 38 (N.I.).