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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1976 No. 582**

**Solicitors (Northern Ireland) Order 1976**

**PART II**

**QUALIFICATION, ADMISSION, PRACTISING CERTIFICATES, ETC.**

*Provisions with respect to unqualified persons acting as solicitors*

**Costs not recoverable where unqualified person acts as solicitor**

**25.**—(1) <sup>F1</sup> Costs in respect of anything done by a person who acts or purports to act as a solicitor while he is<sup>F2</sup> an unqualified person] shall not be recoverable in any action, suit or matter by that person or any person claiming through or under him.

(2) Nothing in paragraph (1) shall affect any indemnity which a client of such a person as is referred to in that paragraph has under an order of any court in respect of costs awarded under the order, to the extent (if any) to which the client may have paid such costs to that person at the date of the order.

(3) Nothing in paragraph (1) or in Article 19(2)( *b*) shall prevent the recovery of money paid or to be paid by a solicitor on behalf of a client in respect of anything done by the solicitor while acting for the client without holding a practising certificate in force, where the money would have been recoverable if the solicitor had held such a certificate in force when so acting.

**F1** SI 1978/1910

**F2** [1989 NI 14](#)

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