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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1978 No. 1045**

**Matrimonial Causes (Northern Ireland) Order 1978**

**PART V**

**MISCELLANEOUS AND SUPPLEMENTAL**

**Collusion, etc.**

**51.**—(1) Without prejudice to any provision of this Order which empowers or requires the court to dismiss a petition for divorce or judicial separation or to dismiss an application for a decree nisi of divorce to be made absolute, nothing in any statutory provision relating to the general jurisdiction of the court or in any rule of law shall be taken as empowering or requiring the court to dismiss such a petition or application on the ground of collusion between the parties in connection with the presentation or prosecution of the petition or the obtaining of the decree nisi or on the ground of any conduct on the part of the petitioner.

(2) Collusion shall not be a bar to the granting of a decree of nullity.

(3) <sup>F1</sup>.....

<p><b>F1</b> <a href="#">Art. 51(3)</a> repealed (9.11.2009) by <a href="#">Presumption of Death Act (Northern Ireland) 2009 (c. 6)</a>, ss. 19, 20(2), Sch. 2, <a href="#">Sch. 3</a>; S.R. 2009/356, <a href="#">art. 2</a></p>
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**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Matrimonial Causes (Northern Ireland) Order 1978, Section 51.