

## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 1981 No. 226

## Judgments Enforcement (Northern Ireland) Order 1981

### PART II

#### THE ENFORCEMENT OF JUDGMENTS OFFICE

##### The Enforcement of Judgments Office

7.—<sup>[F1]</sup>(1) The Department of Justice shall continue to maintain the Office within that department.]

(2) Subject to the provisions of this Order (and in particular Part VIII) all judgments to which this Order applies shall be enforced by or through the Office.

(3) Paragraph (2) does not prejudice the power to make a complaint under<sup>[F2]</sup> Article 99 of the Magistrates' Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1981] (lump sum in domestic<sup>[F3]</sup> or civil partnership] proceedings), where no proceedings have been taken in the Office as mentioned in<sup>[F2]</sup> paragraph (4) of Article 99 of that Order of 1981].

**F1** Art. 7(1) substituted (12.4.2010) by Northern Ireland Act 1998 (Devolution of Policing and Justice Functions) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/976), arts. 1(2), 15(5), **Sch. 18 para. 124** (with arts. 28-31); S.I. 2010/977, **art. 1(2)**

**F2** 1981 NI 26

**F3** 2004 c. 33

##### Exercise of functions of Office

8. The functions of the Office shall, subject to and in accordance with rules and with directions given by the Lord Chancellor, be exercisable by—

- (a) the Master;
- (b) a Judicial Officer; and
- (c) the Chief Enforcement Officer or any other member of <sup>[F4]</sup>staff of the Office].

**F4** Words in art. 8(c) substituted (12.4.2010) by Northern Ireland Court Service (Abolition and Transfer of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) 2010 (S.R. 2010/133), art. 4, **Sch. para. 14(3)** (with arts. 5-7)

##### Seal of Office

9.—(1) The Office shall have an official seal of which judicial notice shall be taken.

(2) Any document purporting to be sealed with the seal shall be admissible in evidence.

(3) Where a document purporting to be so sealed is a copy of another document, the copy shall be admissible in evidence in like manner as the original.

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**Changes to legislation:** *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Judgments Enforcement (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, PART II. (See end of Document for details)*

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## **Records of Office**

**10.** The records of the Office shall be preserved in such manner and for such period as the Lord Chancellor may direct.

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