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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 1

#### PROCEEDINGS FOR WHICH LEGAL AID MAY BE GIVEN UNDER<sup>F1</sup>[\[F1](#) ARTICLE 9]

<b>F1</b>	prosp. subst. by <a href="#">2002 c. 26</a>
<b>F1</b>	<a href="#">2005 NI 19</a>

## PART II

### EXCEPTED PROCEEDINGS

**3.** Proceedings wholly or partly in respect of defamation; but the making of a counterclaim for defamation in proceedings for which legal aid may be given shall not of itself affect any right of a defendant to the counterclaim to legal aid in the proceedings and legal aid may be granted to enable him to defend such counterclaim.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Order associated Parts and Chapters:**

- Order power to amend conferred by [2011 c. 24 \(N.I.\) Sch. 5 para. 5\(a\)](#)
- Act rev.in pt. by [1996 c. 25 s.79Sch.4 paras.19\(2\)36](#)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Order (including any effects on those provisions):

- art. 28(7)(c) inserted by [2011 c. 24 \(N.I.\) s. 83\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- art. 29(2A) inserted by [2015 c. 9 \(N.I.\) Sch. 2 para. 3](#)
- art. 29(2A) words substituted in earlier affecting provision 2015 c. 9 (N.I.), Sch. 2 para. 3 by [2022 c. 4 \(N.I.\) s. 4\(9\)\(c\)](#)