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**The Limitation (Northern Ireland) Order 1989**

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**THE LIMITATION (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1989**

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- 1. Where the person bringing an action to recover land, or some person through whom he...
- 2. Where— (a) any person brings an action to recover any land of a deceased person,...
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- 4. The right of action to recover any land is, where— (a) the estate or interest...
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- 7. (1) A right of action to recover land by virtue of a forfeiture or breach...
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- 8. (1) No right of action to recover land is to be treated as accruing unless...
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- 9. Where— (a) any settled land, within the meaning of the Settled Land Acts 1882 to...

### SCHEDULE 2 — TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

- 1. Nothing in this Order affects the operation of section 10 of the Statute of Limitations,...
- 2. It is hereby declared that a decision taken at any time by a court to...
- 3. Notwithstanding anything in Article 59(4) or in the repeals made by this Order, the Statute...
- 4. Article 74(2)(c) is to be treated for the purposes of the Hovercraft Act...
- 5. In relation to a lease granted before the commencement of Article 6(3) of the Limitation...
- 6. (1) Nothing in this Order affects any right or title, subsisting immediately before the commencement...

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7. (1) Nothing in this Order— (a) enables any action to be brought which was barred...

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- art. 51A continued by [2023 c. 41 Sch. 10 para. 2\(11\)\(a\)](#)
- art.72Sch.3 para.1 revoked by [1996 c. 23 s.107\(2\)Sch.4](#)