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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1989 No. 1343**

**The Solicitors (Amendment)(Northern Ireland) Order 1989**

**Preparation of conveyancing documents by unqualified persons**

7. In Article 23 of the Solicitors Order (unqualified person not to prepare certain instruments, etc.)—

- (a) in paragraph (1) for “paragraph (2)” there shall be substituted “paragraphs (2) and (2A)”;
- (b) in paragraph (2)(e)—
  - (i) for “a landlord for whom such agent collects rent” there shall be substituted “any person”;
  - (ii) head (i) shall cease to have effect;
- (c) after paragraph (2) there shall be inserted—

“(2A) Paragraph (1) also shall not apply to any act done by a person at the direction and under the supervision of another person if—

  - (a) that other person was at the time his employer, a partner of his employer or a fellow employee; and
  - (b) the act could have been done by that other person for or in expectation of any fee, gain or reward without committing an offence under this Article.”;
- (d) in paragraph (3)—
  - (i) after “instrument” there shall be inserted

“includes a contract for the sale or other disposal of land within the meaning of paragraphs (a) to (f) of section 45(3) of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954<sup>(1)</sup>, other than a contract to grant only—

    - (i) a tenancy not exceeding 3 years; or
    - (ii) a right to use land for cropping or grazing;

but”;
  - (ii) at the end of sub-paragraph (b) there shall be inserted “other than a contract that is included under the preceding provisions of this paragraph”;
- (e) after paragraph (3) there shall be inserted—

“(4) The Department of Economic Development may institute proceedings for an offence under this Article.”.