
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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NORTHERN IRELAND

The Juries (Northern Ireland) Order 1996

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THE JURIES (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1996

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2. Any person who at any time in the last ten...
3. Any person who at any time in the last five...

SCHEDULE 2 — PERSONS INELIGIBLE FOR JURY SERVICE

Persons concerned with the administration of justice

The Forces

Other persons

SCHEDULE 3 — PERSONS EXCUSABLE FROM JURY SERVICE AS OF RIGHT

Parliament

Northern Ireland Assembly

European Parliament

Public officials

Clergy, etc.

Professions

Persons aged between 65 and 70 years

SCHEDULE 4 — CORONERS JURIES

PART I — MODIFICATIONS OF PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDER

1. Any reference to a court includes a reference to a...
2. Any reference to a judge (with or without qualifying words)...
3. Any reference to a jury includes a reference to a...
4. In Article 5(4) and (5) “the Divisional Jurors List” includes...
5. Articles 10(7) and 11(3) shall apply to rules under section...
6. In Article 24 “trial” includes inquest.

PART II — AMENDMENTS OF CORONERS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1959

1. In section 18 (summoning of jurors)— (a) in subsection (1),...
2. In Section 31(2) (summoning of another jury where jury unable...
3. In section 32(1) (power to arrange for removal of body...

SCHEDULE 5 — REPEALS AND REVOCATIONS

Explanatory Note