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PART III

CONTRACTING OUT

Registrar of companies, etc.

11.—(1) Any function of the registrar of companies which is set out in Part I of Schedule 2 may be exercised by, or by employees of, any person authorised in that behalf by the registrar.

(2) Any function of the Department of Economic Development which is set out in Part II of Schedule 2 may be exercised by, or by employees of, any person authorised in that behalf by that Department.

(3) In so far as the registrar of companies does not already have power to do so, he may authorise an officer of his to exercise any function of his which is conferred by or under any enactment.

(4) Subject to paragraph (5), anything done or omitted to be done by an officer so authorised in, or in connection with, the exercise or purported exercise of the function shall be treated for all purposes as done or omitted to be done by the registrar in his capacity as such.

(5) Paragraph (4) does not apply for the purposes of any criminal proceedings brought in respect of anything done or omitted to be done as mentioned in that paragraph.