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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2005 No. 1455**

**The Insolvency (Northern Ireland) Order 2005**

*Individuals*

**Investigation by official receiver**

**14.** The following shall be substituted for Article 262 of the 1989 Order (official receiver's duty to investigate)—

**“Investigatory duties of official receiver**

**262.**—(1) The official receiver shall—

- (a) investigate the conduct and affairs of each bankrupt (including his conduct and affairs before the making of the bankruptcy order), and
- (b) make such report (if any) to the High Court as the official receiver thinks fit.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to a case in which the official receiver thinks an investigation under that paragraph unnecessary.

(3) Where a bankrupt makes an application for discharge under Article 254—

- (a) the official receiver shall make a report to the Court about such matters as may be prescribed, and
- (b) the Court shall consider the report before determining the application.

(4) A report by the official receiver under this Article shall in any proceedings be prima facie evidence of the facts stated in it.”.