

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

MINOR AND CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

The Access to Justice (Northern Ireland) Order 2003 (NI 10)

8. After Article 12 insert—

“Exceptional fundin

12A.—(1) The Lord Chancellor—

- (a) may by direction require the Commission to fund the provision of any of the services specified in Schedule 2 in circumstances specified in the direction, and
- (b) may authorise the Commission to fund the provision of any of those services in circumstances specified in the authorisation or, if the Commission requests him to do so, in an individual case so specified.

(2) A direction or authorisation under paragraph (1) may impose limitations on the funding of a service specified in Schedule 2, and may, in particular, require or authorise the Commission to fund the service for a limited period, for the purposes of specified proceedings only, or for the purposes of limited aspects of proceedings.

(3) Articles 13 to 20 do not apply to civil legal services funded under a direction or authorisation under paragraph (1) unless they are applied (with or without modifications) by the provisions of the direction or authorisation.

(4) The Lord Chancellor shall either—

- (a) publish, or
- (b) require the Commission to publish,

any authorisation under paragraph (1)(b), unless it relates to an individual case (in which case he or the Commission may publish it if appropriate).”.