

1975 No. 50

SUPREME COURT, NORTHERN IRELAND

PROCEDURE

Rules of the Supreme Court (Northern Ireland) (No. 2) 1975

Made 10th March 1975

Coming into operation 1st April 1975

To be laid before Parliament

We, the Northern Ireland Supreme Court Rules Committee, being the authority having for the time being power under section 7 of the Northern Ireland Act 1962(a), to make, amend or revoke rules regulating the practice and procedure of the Supreme Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland, hereby exercise those powers and all other powers enabling us in that behalf as follows:

1. Order 70 of the Rules of the Supreme Court (Northern Ireland) 1936(b) shall be amended as follows:

Immediately after rule 68B there shall be added the following rule:

“68C.—(1) In relation to the Republic of Ireland, Rule 68B shall have effect subject to the provisions of this rule.

(2) For the words “a reciprocating country” wherever they occur there shall be substituted the words “the Republic of Ireland”.

(3) For sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph (1) there shall be substituted the following sub-paragraph:

“(a) “the Act of 1972” means the Maintenance Orders (Reciprocal Enforcement) Act 1972 as applied by the Reciprocal Enforcement of Maintenance Orders (Republic of Ireland) Order 1974;”

(4) In paragraph (2) for the reference to section 5(4) there shall be substituted a reference to section 5(2).

(5) The following sub-paragraphs shall be added to paragraph (3):

“(f) a statement as to whether or not the payer appeared in the proceedings in which the maintenance order was made and, if he did not, the original or a copy certified by the applicant or his solicitor to be a true copy of a document which establishes that notice of the institution of the proceedings was served on the payer;

(g) a document which establishes that notice of the order was sent to the payer; and

(h) if the payee received legal aid in the proceedings in which the order was made, a copy certified by the applicant or his solicitor to be a true copy of the civil aid certificate.”

(6) For paragraph (4) there shall be substituted the following paragraph:

(a) 1962 c. 30

(b) S.R. & O. 1936 No. 70 (II, p. 2559)

“(4) Where an application is made to the court for the variation or revocation of an order to which section 5 of the Act of 1972 applies, the certified copy of the application and the documents required by subsection (2) of that section to set out or summarise the evidence in support of the application shall be authenticated by a certificate signed by the Registrar.”.

(7) Paragraphs (5) and (6) shall not apply.

(8) For paragraph (9) there shall be substituted the following paragraph:

“(9) Where the court makes an order varying or revoking a maintenance order to which section 5 of the Act of 1972 applies, the Registrar shall send a certified copy of the order and a statement as to the service on the payer of the documents mentioned in subsection (2) of that section to the court in the Republic of Ireland by which the maintenance order is being enforced.”.

(9) Paragraph (10) shall not apply.”.

2. These rules may be cited as the Rules of the Supreme Court (Northern Ireland) (No. 2) 1975 and shall come into force on 1st April 1975.

Dated 10th March 1975.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the rules, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These rules amend Order 70 of the Rules of the Supreme Court (Northern Ireland) 1936 in consequence of the coming into force on 1st April 1975 of Part I of the Maintenance Orders (Reciprocal Enforcement) Act 1972 as it applies to the Republic of Ireland subject to the exceptions, adaptations and modifications specified in the Reciprocal Enforcement of Maintenance Orders (Republic of Ireland) Order 1974. The amending rules provide for Rule 68B of Order 70 to be modified in its application to Part I of that Act as so applied.