
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1999 No. 19

The Rules of the Supreme Court
(Northern Ireland) (Amendment) 1999

Excusing of jurors

5. Order 33 shall be amended by inserting after rule 4 the following rule—

“Excusing of jurors

4A.—(1) Subject to paragraphs (2) to (5) of this rule the powers of a judge under Articles 10 and 11(1) of the 1996 Order may be exercised by the Principal Clerk of the Central Office.

(2) A person dissatisfied with a decision of the Principal Clerk of the Central Office made in the exercise of the powers conferred by Article 10 or 11(1) of the 1996 Order may appeal to a judge in accordance with paragraph (3) of this rule.

(3) An appeal under this rule shall be commenced by the appellant giving notice of appeal to the Principal Clerk of the Central Office and such notice shall be in writing and shall specify the matters upon which the appellant relies in support of his appeal.

(4) A judge shall not dismiss an appeal under this rule unless the appellant has been given an opportunity of making representations.

(5) Where an appeal under this rule is decided in the absence of the appellant, the Principal Clerk of the Central Office shall notify him of the decision as soon as possible.

(6) In this rule “the 1996 Order” means the Juries (Northern Ireland) Order 1996(1).”