
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Supreme Court Fees Order (Northern Ireland) 1996 so as to:—

- (a) introduce the following new fees in the Schedule:-
 - on a third party notice (Fee No.2(c));
 - on a counterclaim (Fee No.2(d));
 - on an application to transfer an action to the commercial list (Fee No.6);
 - on setting down other party pleadings (Fee No.9);
 - on a decree, award, judgement, order or dismiss (Fee No.12);
 - on a copy order/decreed including certified, sealed and online (Fee Nos.18(c) and (d));
 - on any search carried out by an officer of the court (Fee Nos.23(b) and 36(b));
 - on any other application to the Court of Appeal not provided for (Fee No.28(c));
 - on an audio recording produced on compact disc in any court proceedings (Fee No.29(c));
 - on a request for a certificate to discharge bankruptcy (Fee No.34);
 - on a petition for an administration order (Fee No.35);
 - on an application for a deed poll (Fee No.37);
 - on the lodgement of a bill of costs (Fee No.38(b));
 - under Patients' Affairs (Fee Nos.49-56);
- (b) increase a number of fees to be taken in proceedings in the Supreme Court; and
- (c) to provide for exemptions from fees payable in the circumstances as outlined in Article 2 and refunds where appropriate.

A Regulatory Impact Assessment of the costs and benefits of this Order (and other Orders relating to court fees) was placed in the libraries of both Houses of Parliament and is available on the Court Service's web-site at www.courtsni.gov.uk.