



# Judicature (Northern Ireland) Act 1978

## 1978 CHAPTER 23

### PART I

#### CONSTITUTION OF THE [F<sup>1</sup>Court of Judicature] OF NORTHERN IRELAND

#### 1 The [F<sup>1</sup>Court of Judicature].

There shall be a [F<sup>1</sup>Court of Judicature] of Northern Ireland (in this Act referred to as “the [F<sup>1</sup>Court of Judicature]”) which shall consist of—

- (a) Her Majesty’s High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland (in this Act referred to as “the High Court”);
- (b) Her Majesty’s Court of Appeal in Northern Ireland (in this Act referred to as “the Court of Appeal”); and
- (c) Her Majesty’s Crown Court in Northern Ireland (in this Act referred to as “the Crown Court”),

with such jurisdiction as is respectively conferred on those courts by this Act or by any other statutory provision.

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 1 substituted (1.10.2009) by [Constitutional Reform Act 2005 \(c. 4\), ss. 59, 148, Sch. 11 para. 6; S.I. 2009/1604, art. 2\(d\)](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

Judicature (Northern Ireland) Act 1978, Section 1 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 09 March 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 14(1)(1A) substituted for s. 14(1) by [2002 c. 26 Sch. 12 para. 13](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Sch. 5 repealed (3.4.2006) without ever being in force by 2005 c. 4, Sch. 5 para. 125, Sch. 18 Pt. 3; S.I. 2006/1014, art. 2, Sch. 1 paras. 12(f), 30(c))
- s. 106(3A) inserted by [2011 c. 24 \(N.I.\) s. 89\(1\)](#)