



County Courts Act 1984

1984 CHAPTER 28

PART I

CONSTITUTION AND ADMINISTRATION

Judges

[^{F15} **Judges of the county court**

- (1) A person is a judge of the county court if the person—
- (a) is a Circuit judge,
 - (b) is a district judge (which, by virtue of section 8(1C), here includes a deputy district judge appointed under section 8), or
 - (c) is within subsection (2),
- ^{F2} ...
- (2) A person is within this subsection (and so, by virtue of subsection (1)(c), is a judge of the county court) if the person—
- (a) is the Lord Chief Justice,
 - (b) is the Master of the Rolls,
 - (c) is the President of the Queen's Bench Division,
 - (d) is the President of the Family Division,
 - (e) is the Chancellor of the High Court,
 - (f) is an ordinary judge of the Court of Appeal (including the vice-president, if any, of either division of that court),
 - (g) is the Senior President of Tribunals,
 - (h) is a puisne judge of the High Court,
 - (i) is a deputy judge of the High Court,
 - (j) is the Judge Advocate General,
 - (k) is a Recorder,
 - (l) is a person who holds an office listed—

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- (i) in the first column of the table in section 89(3C) of the Senior Courts Act 1981 (senior High Court masters etc), or
- (ii) in column 1 of Part 2 of Schedule 2 to that Act (High Court masters etc),
- (m) is a deputy district judge appointed under section 102 of that Act,
- (n) is a Chamber President, or a Deputy Chamber President, of a chamber of the Upper Tribunal or of a chamber of the First-tier Tribunal,
- (o) is a judge of the Upper Tribunal by virtue of appointment under paragraph 1(1) of Schedule 3 to the Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Act 2007,
- (p) is a transferred-in judge of the Upper Tribunal (see section 31(2) of that Act),
- (q) is a deputy judge of the Upper Tribunal (whether under paragraph 7 of Schedule 3 to, or section 31(2) of, that Act),
- (r) is a District Judge (Magistrates' Courts),
- (s) is a person appointed under section 30(1)(a) or (b) of the Courts-Martial (Appeals) Act 1951 (assistants to the Judge Advocate General),
- (t) is a judge of the First-tier Tribunal by virtue of appointment under paragraph 1(1) of Schedule 2 to the Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Act 2007,
- (u) is a transferred-in judge of the First-tier Tribunal (see section 31(2) of that Act), or
- (v) is a member of a panel of Employment Judges established for England and Wales or for Scotland.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 5 substituted (22.4.2014) by [Crime and Courts Act 2013 \(c. 22\)](#), s. 61(3), [Sch. 9 para. 4](#); S.I. 2014/954, art. 2(c) (with art. 3) (with transitional provisions and savings in S.I. 2014/956, arts. 3-11)
- F2** Words in s. 5(1) omitted (10.3.2022 for specified purposes, 1.10.2022 in so far as not already in force) by virtue of [Public Service Pensions and Judicial Offices Act 2022 \(c. 7\)](#), s. 131(1)(4)(c), [Sch. 4 para. 6\(2\)](#); S.I. 2022/1014, reg. 2(d) (with reg. 3)

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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):

- Pt. 6A inserted by [2007 c. 15 s. 107\(1\)](#) (This affecting provision is amended (22.4.2014) by [2013 c. 22, Sch. 9 paras. 10\(53\), 48](#); [S.I. 2014/954, art. 2\(c\)](#))
- s. 60A inserted by [2007 c. 29 s. 191](#)
- s. 60A(2) words substituted by [2013 c. 22 Sch. 9 para. 10\(17\)](#) (Effect not applied as s. 60A has not been brought into force)
- s. 60A(3)(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2022/1166 reg. 10\(2\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment comes into force immediately after [2007 c. 29, s. 191\(1\)](#) comes into force)
- s. 60A(3)(aa) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1166 reg. 10\(2\)\(a\)\(i\)](#) (This amendment comes into force immediately after [2007 c. 29, s. 191\(1\)](#) comes into force)
- s. 60A(3)(bb) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1166 reg. 10\(2\)\(a\)\(iii\)](#) (This amendment comes into force immediately after [2007 c. 29, s. 191\(1\)](#) comes into force)
- s. 60A(3)(cc) inserted by [S.I. 2022/1166 reg. 10\(2\)\(a\)\(iv\)](#) (This amendment comes into force immediately after [2007 c. 29, s. 191\(1\)](#) comes into force)
- s. 60A(7) words inserted by [S.I. 2022/1166 reg. 10\(2\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment comes into force immediately after [2007 c. 29, s. 191\(1\)](#) comes into force)
- s. 60A(7) words substituted by [S.I. 2010/844 Sch. 2 para. 2](#) (Effect not applied as s. 60A has not been brought into force)
- s. 112A112B inserted by [1990 c. 41 s. 13\(5\)](#)