



# Social Security Administration Act 1992

## 1992 CHAPTER 5

### PART II

#### ADJUDICATION

##### *Social Security Commissioners*

#### **52 Appointment of Commissioners**

- (1) Her Majesty may from time to time appoint, from among persons who have a 10 year general qualification or advocates or solicitors in Scotland of at least 10 years' standing—
  - (a) a Chief Social Security Commissioner; and
  - (b) such number of other Social Security Commissioners as Her Majesty thinks fit.
- (2) If the Lord Chancellor considers that, in order to facilitate the disposal of the business of Social Security Commissioners, he should make an appointment in pursuance of this subsection, he may appoint—
  - (a) a person who has a 10 year general qualification; or
  - (b) an advocate or solicitor in Scotland of at least 10 years' standing; or
  - (c) a member of the bar of Northern Ireland or solicitor of the Supreme Court of Northern Ireland of at least 10 years' standing,to be a Social Security Commissioner (but to be known as a deputy Commissioner) for such period or on such occasions as the Lord Chancellor thinks fit.
- (3) When the Lord Chancellor proposes to exercise the power conferred on him by subsection (2) above, it shall be his duty to consult the Lord Advocate with respect to the proposal.
- (4) Schedule 2 to this Act shall have effect for supplementing this section.