

*These notes refer to the Adoption and Children Act 2002
(c.38) which received Royal Assent on 7th November 2002*

ADOPTION AND CHILDREN ACT 2002

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 1 – Adoption

Chapter 5 - The Registers

Section 81: Adoption Contact Register: supplementary

213. *Section 81* provides that the Adoption Contact Register is not to be open to public inspection or search. *Section 81(2)* defines relatives. This definition will include, for example, parents, siblings, grandparents, great-grandparents, uncles, aunts, cousins, nephews and nieces including half blood or by marriage.