Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 7

Section 99

THE LAND REGISTRY

Holding of office by Chief Land Registrar

- 1 (1) The registrar may at any time resign his office by written notice to the Lord Chancellor.
 - (2) The Lord Chancellor may remove the registrar from office if he is unable or unfit to discharge the functions of office.
 - (3) Subject to the above, a person appointed to be the registrar is to hold and vacate office in accordance with the terms of his appointment and, on ceasing to hold office, is eligible for reappointment.

Remuneration etc. of Chief Land Registrar

- 2 (1) The Lord Chancellor shall pay the registrar such remuneration, and such travelling and other allowances, as the Lord Chancellor may determine.
 - (2) The Lord Chancellor shall—
 - (a) pay such pension, allowances or gratuities as he may determine to or in respect of a person who is or has been the registrar, or
 - (b) make such payments as he may determine towards provision for the payment of a pension, allowances or gratuities to or in respect of such a person.
 - (3) If, when a person ceases to be the registrar, the Lord Chancellor determines that there are special circumstances which make it right that the person should receive compensation, the Lord Chancellor may pay to the person by way of compensation a sum of such amount as he may determine.

Staff

- 3 (1) The registrar may appoint such staff as he thinks fit.
 - (2) The terms and conditions of appointments under this paragraph shall be such as the registrar, with the approval of the Minister for the Civil Service, thinks fit.

Indemnity for members

4 No member of the land registry is to be liable in damages for anything done or omitted in the discharge or purported discharge of any function relating to land registration, unless it is shown that the act or omission was in bad faith.

Seal

5 The land registry is to continue to have a seal and any document purporting to be sealed with it is to be admissible in evidence without any further or other proof.

Documentary evidence

6 The Documentary Evidence Act 1868 (c. 37) has effect as if—

- (a) the registrar were included in the first column of the Schedule to that Act,
- (b) the registrar and any person authorised to act on his behalf were mentioned in the second column of that Schedule, and
- (c) the regulations referred to in that Act included any form or direction issued by the registrar or by any such person.

Parliamentary disqualification

7 In Part 3 of Schedule 1 to the House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975 (c. 24) (other disqualifying offices), there is inserted at the appropriate place—

"Chief Land Registrar.";

and a corresponding amendment is made in Part 3 of Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Assembly Disqualification Act 1975 (c. 25).