



Administration of Justice Act 1956

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PART II

SUPREME COURT OF JUDICATURE

Appointment, etc., of official referees and other officers

11 Appointment, etc., of deputy district registrars

- (1) Section one hundred and sixteen of the principal Act (which relates to the appointment of deputies for Supreme Court officers) shall not apply to a deputy district registrar appointed after the coming into force of this section, but in lieu thereof the following provisions shall have effect.
- (2) The district registrar for any district may from time to time, with the approval of the Lord Chancellor, appoint a deputy to act for him at any time when he is prevented by illness or unavoidable absence from acting in his office:

Provided that where the district registrar is unable to make such an appointment the Lord Chancellor may make it.
- (3) Any person being a solicitor of not less than seven years' standing shall be qualified for appointment as deputy district registrar.
- (4) A deputy district registrar, while acting under his appointment, shall have the same powers as if he were the district registrar.
- (5) The appointment of a deputy of a district registrar under subsection (2) of this section shall not be avoided by the vacation of office by the district registrar from any cause whatsoever, but the acts of the deputy done thereafter shall be as valid as if the district registrar had not vacated office, and the deputy shall continue to act until a successor to the district registrar is appointed.
- (6) A deputy district registrar shall not act as such in relation to any proceedings in which he is, either by himself or his partner, directly or indirectly engaged as a solicitor or agent for any party.

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- (7) Any person appointing a deputy under this section may at his pleasure remove that deputy from his office.