STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1994 No. 1536

SUPREME COURT OF ENGLAND AND WALESCOUNTY COURTS

The Civil Courts (Amendment No. 2) Order 1994

Made - - - - 9th June 1994
Laid before Parliament 13th June 1994
Coming into force - - 4th July 1994

The Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 99(1) of the Supreme Court Act 1981(1), sections 2(1) and 26 of the County Courts Act 1984(2) and by sections 117(4) and 374 of the Insolvency Act 1986(3), hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1. This Order may be cited as the Civil Courts (Amendment No.2) Order 1994 and shall come into force on 4th July 1994.
- **2.** In this Order, "the 1983 Order" means the Civil Courts Order 1983(4), and a reference to a Schedule by number means the Schedule so numbered in that Order.

District registries of the High Court

- **3.**—(1) The district registry of the High Court at Bangor shall be closed.
- (2) Schedule 1 shall accordingly be amended by deleting the reference to that district registry.
- **4.**—(1) A district registry of the High Court shall be established at Llangefni, which district shall be the area comprising the district of the Llangefni County Court.
 - (2) The 1983 Order shall accordingly be amended as follows—
 - (a) in Schedule 1, after the entry relating to Liverpool, there shall be inserted the following new entry—

^{(1) 1981} c. 54.

^{(2) 1984} c. 28.

^{(3) 1986} c. 45.

⁽⁴⁾ S.I.1983/713; the relevant amending instruments are S.I.1984/1075; 1986/2001; 1991/2211; 1992/593, 3071; 1993/3120 and 1994/706.

"First Column	Second Column
Llangefni	Llangefni";

- (b) in Schedule 3, in column 1 of the entry relating to the Llangefni County Court, the letters "D.R." (denoting a district registry of the High Court) shall be inserted beneath the word "Llangefni".
- **5.** In the second column of Schedule 1, for the entries relating to the district registries listed in column 1 of the Schedule of this Order, there shall be substituted the entries listed in column 2 of the Schedule to this Order.

County courts

- **6.** Schedule 3 shall be amended as follows—
- (1) the entries relating to the Bangor, Porthmadog and Stroud County Courts shall be deleted(5);
- (2) in the entry relating to the Caernarfon County Court—
 - (a) in column 2, above the word "Divorce" there shall be inserted the words "Admiralty Bankruptey";
 - (b) in columns 3 and 4, the word "Bangor" shall be deleted;
- (3) in columns 3 and 4 of the entry relating to the Colwyn Bay County Court, for the word "Bangor" at both places, there shall be substituted the word "Caernarfon"; and
 - (4) in the entry relating to the Llangefni County Court—
 - (a) in column 2, there shall be inserted the word "Bankruptcy";
 - (b) in column 3, for the word "Bangor" there shall be substituted the word "Caernarfon";
 - (c) in column 4, the word "Bangor" shall be deleted.
 - 7. The Caernarfon County Court shall have jurisdiction in—
 - (a) any Admiralty proceedings, and
 - (b) any proceedings under the Second Group of Parts of the Insolvency Act 1986 commenced in the Bangor County Court before the coming into force of this Order.

Dated 9th June 1994

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⁽⁵⁾ Directions given on behalf of the Lord Chancellor under section 2(3) of the County Courts Act 1984 will determine which court districts will include the former districts of the courts closed by this Order with effect from the date on which this Order comes into force

SCHEDULE

Article 5

First Column NAME OF PLACE	Second Column DISTRICT DEFINED BY REFERENCE TO COUNTY COURT DISTRICT
Bury St Edmunds	Bury St Edmunds
Chatham	Dartford
	Gravesend
Chelmsford	Chelmsford
Darlington	Darlington
Doncaster	Doncaster
	Rotherham
Gloucester	Gloucester
Halifax	Halifax
Kingston-upon-Hull	Goole
	Kingston-upon-Hull
Lincoln	Grantham
	Lincoln
	Newark
Scarborough	Bridlington
	Scarborough
Sunderland	Consett
	Gateshead
	Sunderland
Tunbridge Wells	Tunbridge Wells
Worcester	Evesham
	Worcester
York	York

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Civil Courts Order 1983 so as to—

- (1) close the district registry of the High Court at Bangor (article 3);
- (2) establish a district registry of the High Court at Llangefni (article 4);
- (3) make consequential amendments to the definitions of the districts of district registries of the High Court which were previously defined by reference to county courts which have been closed (article 5);
 - (4) close the Bangor, Porthmadog and Stroud County Courts (article 6);
- (5) give admiralty jurisdiction and insolvency jurisdiction to the Caernarfon County Court (article 6(2));
 - (6) give insolvency jurisdiction to the Llangefni County Court (article 6(4));
- (7) attach the districts of the Colwyn Bay and Llangefni County Courts to the Caernarfon County Court for the purposes of admiralty jurisdiction (article 6(3) and (4)(a));
- (8) assign the district of the Colwyn Bay County Court to the Caernarfon County Court for the purposes of insolvency jurisdiction (article 6(3)).

The Order also contains transitional provisions relating to admirality and individual insolvency proceedings commenced in county courts closed by this Order (article 7).