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**2012 No. 643**

**SENIOR COURTS OF ENGLAND AND WALES  
COUNTY COURTS, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Civil Courts (Amendment) Order 2012**

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| <i>Made</i>                   | - - - - | <i>1st March 2012</i> |
| <i>Laid before Parliament</i> |         | <i>5th March 2012</i> |
| <i>Coming into force</i>      | - -     | <i>2nd April 2012</i> |

The Lord Chancellor makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 2(1) of the County Courts Act 1984<sup>(1)</sup>, section 33(1) of the Matrimonial and Family Proceedings Act 1984<sup>(2)</sup> and section 99(1) of the Senior Courts Act 1981<sup>(3)</sup>.

In accordance with section 2(1) of the County Courts Act 1984 and section 99(1) of the Senior Courts Act 1981, the Lord Chancellor has consulted the Lord Chief Justice before making this Order.

In accordance with section 33(1) of the Matrimonial and Family Proceedings Act 1984, the Lord Chief Justice concurs in the making of this Order.

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(1) [1984 c.28](#). Section 2(1) was amended by paragraphs 160 and 161 of Schedule 4 to the Constitutional Reform Act 2005 (c. 4).  
(2) [1984 c.42](#). Section 33(1) was amended by paragraphs 171 and 172 of Schedule 4 to the Constitutional Reform Act 2005 (c. 4).  
(3) [1981 c.54](#). Section 99(1) was amended by paragraphs 114 and 143(1) and (2) of Schedule 4 to the Constitutional Reform Act 2005 (c.4).