

2016 CHAPTER 21

PART 2

The Prison Ombudsman For Northern Ireland

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**33.—**(1) There shall be an office known as the Prison Ombudsman for Northern Ireland.

(2) The person for the time being holding the office of Prison Ombudsman for Northern Ireland is by that name a corporation sole.

(3) Schedule 3 has effect in relation to the Prison Ombudsman for Northern Ireland (in this Part referred to as “the Ombudsman”).

(4) The Ombudsman shall exercise the powers under this Part in such manner and to such extent as appears to the Ombudsman to be best calculated to secure—

- (a) the efficiency, effectiveness and independence of the office of Ombudsman; and
- (b) the confidence in the operation of that office of the public, prisoners and prison officers and other persons affected by the exercise of those powers.