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1983 No. 1524 (N.I. 17)

NORTHERN IRELAND

**The Social Security Adjudications
(Northern Ireland) Order 1983**

Made 19th October 1983

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Coming into operation on days to be appointed under Article 1(2)

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At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 19th day of October 1983

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

1983 c. 41 Whereas this Order is made only for purposes corresponding to those of section 25 of, and Schedule 8 to, the Health and Social Services and Social Security Adjudications Act 1983:

1974 c. 28 Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 1974 (as modified by paragraph 31(6) of Schedule 8 to the said Act of 1983) and of all other powers enabling Her in that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

Introductory

Title and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Social Security Adjudications (Northern Ireland) Order 1983.

(2) This Order shall come into operation on such day or days as the Head of the Department may by order appoint.

Interpretation

1954 c. 33 (N.I.) 2.—(1) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 shall apply to Article 1 and the following provisions of this Order as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

(2) In this Order—

“adjudicating medical practitioner” has the meaning given by section 108(5) of the principal Act;

“the Department” means the Department of Health and Social Services;

“enactment” has the meaning given by Schedule 17 to the principal Act;

1975 c. 15 “the principal Act” means the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975.

Social security adjudications

Adjudication officers and social security appeal tribunals

S.I. 1977/2156 (N.I. 27) 3.—(1) The functions of insurance officers appointed under the principal Act, benefit officers appointed under the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 and supplement officers appointed under the Family Income Supplements Act (Northern Ireland) 1971 shall be exercised by officers to be called adjudication officers.

1971 c. 8 (N.I.)

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(2) The functions of local tribunals constituted under the principal Act and of Appeal Tribunals constituted under the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 shall be exercised by tribunals to be called social security appeal tribunals.

S.I. 1977/2156
(N.I. 27)

(3) Accordingly—

- (a) any enactment or instrument passed or made before the commencement of this Article shall have effect, so far as may be necessary in consequence of the changes made by this Article, as if—
 - (i) for any reference to an officer whose functions are transferred by paragraph (1) there were substituted a reference to an adjudication officer; and
 - (ii) for any reference to a tribunal whose functions are transferred by paragraph (2) there were substituted a reference to a social security appeal tribunal; and
- (b) documents and forms printed or duplicated for use in connection with the officers and tribunals whose functions are so transferred may be used notwithstanding that they contain references to such officers and tribunals and those references shall be construed as references to adjudication officers and social security appeal tribunals.

(4) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (3)(a) the enactments specified in Schedule 1 shall have effect subject to the amendments there specified.

Adjudicating medical practitioners

4.—(1) The functions of medical boards constituted under the principal Act shall be exercised by adjudicating medical practitioners.

(2) The functions of special medical boards established by virtue of regulations under section 113 of the principal Act shall be exercised by specially qualified adjudicating medical practitioners.

(3) Accordingly—

- (a) any enactment or instrument passed or made before the commencement of this Article shall have effect, so far as may be necessary in consequence of the changes made by this Article, as if—
 - (i) for any reference to a medical board constituted under the principal Act there were substituted a reference to an adjudicating medical practitioner; and
 - (ii) for any reference to a special medical board established by virtue of regulations under section 113 of the principal Act there were substituted a reference to a specially qualified adjudicating medical practitioner;

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(b) documents and forms printed or duplicated for use in connection with medical boards and special medical boards may be used notwithstanding that they contain references to such boards and those references shall be construed respectively as references to adjudicating medical practitioners and specially qualified adjudicating medical practitioners.

(4) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (3)(a) the principal Act shall have effect subject to the amendments specified in Schedule 2.

Supplementary

Transitional provisions and savings

5.—(1) The Department may by regulations make such transitional provision or saving as the Department considers necessary or expedient in connection with this Order.

(2) Regulations under this Article shall be subject to negative resolution.

1980 c. 30

(3) Section 10 of the Social Security Act 1980 (duty of Department to refer proposals for regulations to the Social Security Advisory Committee) shall not apply to regulations made under any enactment and contained in a statutory rule which states that it only contains regulations made in consequence of this Order and before the expiry of the period of six months beginning with the commencement of this paragraph.

(4) Subsections (2) and (3) of section 155 of the principal Act (which among other things make provision about the extent of powers to make orders and regulations) shall apply to the power to make regulations conferred by this Article as they apply to any power to make regulations conferred by that Act.

Repeals

6. The enactments set out in Schedule 3 are hereby repealed to the extent specified in the third column of that Schedule.

N. E. Leigh,
Clerk of the Privy Council.

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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

Article 3

**AMENDMENTS RELATING TO ADJUDICATION
OFFICERS, ETC.**

PART I

THE PRINCIPAL ACT

1. In section 97 (adjudication) for subsections (1) and (2) substitute—

“Adjudication officers and bodies. 97.—(1) Adjudication officers shall be appointed by the Department, subject to the consent of the Department of Finance and Personnel as to number.

(1A) An adjudication officer may be appointed to perform all the functions of adjudication officers under any enactment or such functions of such officers as may be specified in his instrument of appointment.

(1B) The Department shall appoint for Northern Ireland a Chief Adjudication Officer.

(1C) It shall be the duty of the Chief Adjudication Officer to advise adjudication officers on the performance of their functions under this or any other enactment.

(1D) The Chief Adjudication Officer shall keep under review the operation of the system of adjudication by adjudication officers under this and any other enactment and matters connected with the operation of that system.

(1E) The Chief Adjudication Officer shall report annually in writing to the Department on the standards of adjudication and the Department shall publish his report.

(2) A social security appeal tribunal shall consist of a chairman and two other persons.

(2A) One of those persons shall be drawn from the panel mentioned in sub-paragraph (3) of paragraph 1 of Schedule 10 to this Act.

(2B) The other shall be drawn from the panel mentioned in sub-paragraph (4) of that paragraph.

(2C) The President shall nominate the chairman.

(2D) The President may nominate as chairman either himself or a person drawn—

(a) from a panel appointed by the Lord Chancellor; or

(b) from the persons appointed to act as chairmen under paragraph 1A of Schedule 10 to this Act.

(2E) Subject to regulations under Article 5 of the Social Security Adjudications (Northern Ireland) Order 1983, no person shall be appointed chairman of a tribunal under subsection (2D)(a) above unless he is a barrister or solicitor of not less than 5 years' standing.”.

2. In section 104 (review of decisions), after subsection (1) insert the following subsection—

“(1A) Any decision of an adjudication officer may in prescribed circumstances be reviewed, upon the ground that it was erroneous in point of law, by an adjudication officer or, on a reference from an adjudication officer, by a social security appeal tribunal.”.

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3. In section 115(2) (tribunals) for “local” substitute “social security appeal”.

4. In section 117(1) (finality of decisions) for “the decision of any claim or question in accordance with those provisions” there shall be substituted “and to section 14 of the Social Security Act 1980 (appeal from Social Security Commissioners etc. on a point of law) the decision of any claim or question in accordance with this Act”.

5. In Schedule 10 (supplementary provisions as to tribunals, etc.), for paragraph 1 substitute the following paragraphs—

“1.—(1) The panels referred to in section 97(2A) and (2B) of this Act shall be constituted by the President for the whole of Northern Ireland, and shall act for such areas as the President thinks fit, and be composed of such persons as the President thinks fit to appoint.

(2) There shall be two panels for each area.

(3) One panel shall be composed of persons who appear to the President to represent employed earners.

(4) The other shall be composed—

(a) of persons who appear to him to represent employers and earners other than employed earners; and

(b) of persons who appear to him to have knowledge or experience of conditions in the area and to represent persons living or working in it.

(5) Before appointing members to a panel, the President may take into consideration any recommendations—

(a) from such local committees representing employers or employed earners or both; or

(b) from such organisations concerned with the interests of employers or employed earners; or

(c) from such other organisations or from such persons, as he considers appropriate.

(6) The members of the panels shall hold office for such period as the President may direct, but the President may at any time terminate the appointment of any member of a panel.

(7) Subject to sub-paragraph (8) below, each member of a panel shall, so far as practicable, be summoned in turn to serve upon a social security appeal tribunal.

(8) If practicable, at least one of the members of the tribunal hearing a case shall be of the same sex as the claimant.

The President of social security appeal tribunals and medical appeal tribunals and full-time chairmen

1A.—(1) The Lord Chancellor may appoint for Northern Ireland—

(a) a President of social security appeal tribunals and medical appeal tribunals; and

(b) full-time chairmen of such tribunals.

(2) A person is qualified to be appointed President if he is a barrister or solicitor of not less than 10 years' standing.

(3) A person is qualified to be appointed a full-time chairman if he is a barrister or solicitor of not less than 7 years' standing.

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(4) Subject to sub-paragraphs (5) to (8) below, a person appointed to an office under this paragraph shall hold and vacate that office in accordance with the terms of his appointment.

(5) Subject to sub-paragraphs (6) and (7) below, a person appointed to such an office shall vacate his office at the end of the completed year of service in which he attains the age of 72.

(6) Where the Lord Chancellor considers it desirable in the public interest to retain such a person in office after the time at which he would be required by sub-paragraph (5) above to vacate it, the Lord Chancellor may from time to time authorise the continuance of that person in office until any date not later than that on which that person attains the age of 75.

(7) A person appointed to an office under this paragraph may be removed from office by the Lord Chancellor on the ground of misbehaviour or incapacity.

(8) No person appointed to an office under this paragraph shall either directly or indirectly practise as a barrister or solicitor or as an agent for a solicitor.

(9) The Department may pay, or make such payments towards the provision of, such remuneration, pensions, allowances or gratuities to or in respect of persons appointed to offices under this paragraph as, with the consent of the Department of Finance and Personnel, it may determine.

(10) The President may appoint such officers and staff as he thinks fit—

(a) for himself;

(b) for other persons appointed to offices under this paragraph; and

(c) for social security appeal tribunals,

with the consent of the Department and the Department of Finance and Personnel as to numbers and as to remuneration and other terms and conditions of service.

Clerks of tribunals

1B. The President shall assign a clerk to serve the social security appeal tribunal for each area.

1C. The duty of summoning members of a panel to serve on a tribunal shall be performed by the clerk to the tribunal.

Administrative duties of President

1D. It shall be the duty of the President—

(a) to arrange—

(i) such meetings of chairmen and members of social security appeal tribunals; and

(ii) such training for such chairmen and members,
as he considers appropriate; and

(b) to secure that such works of reference relating to social security law as he considers appropriate are available for the use of chairmen and members of social security appeal tribunals.”

6. In Schedule 12 (medical boards and medical appeal tribunals) for paragraph 2 substitute the following paragraph—

“2.—(1) A medical appeal tribunal shall consist of a chairman and two other persons.

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(2) The members other than the chairman shall be medical practitioners appointed by the Department after consultation with such academic medical bodies as appear to it to be appropriate.

(3) The President shall nominate the chairman.

(4) The President may nominate as chairman either himself or a person drawn—

(a) from a panel appointed by the Lord Chancellor; or

(b) from the persons appointed to act as chairmen under paragraph 1A of Schedule 10 to this Act.

(5) No person shall be appointed to the panel mentioned in subparagraph (4) above unless he is a barrister or solicitor of not less than 7 years' standing.

(6) The Department may make arrangements whereby a medical appeal tribunal for the purposes of the Social Security Act 1975 shall be a medical appeal tribunal for the purposes of this Act."

7. After paragraph 5 of Schedule 12 insert the following paragraph—

"5A. The President may appoint such officers and staff for medical appeal tribunals as he thinks fit, with the consent of the Department and the Department of Finance and Personnel as to numbers and as to remuneration and other terms and conditions of service."

8. At the end of Schedule 12 add the following paragraph—

"9. It shall be the duty of the President—

(a) to arrange—

(i) such meetings of chairmen and members of medical appeal tribunals, and

(ii) such training for such chairmen and members,
as he considers appropriate; and

(b) to secure that such works of reference relating to social security law as he considers appropriate are available for the use of chairmen and members of medical appeal tribunals."

9. In paragraph 9(a) of Schedule 13 (procedure) for "local" substitute "social security appeal".

10. In Schedule 17 (glossary of expressions) insert at the appropriate point the following definition—

"“President.” The President of social security appeal tribunals and medical appeal tribunals."

PART II

S.I. 1977/2156
(N.I. 27)

THE SUPPLEMENTARY BENEFITS (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1977

11. In Article 4 (determination of right to and amount of supplementary benefit) for paragraphs (1) and (1A) substitute the following paragraphs—

"(1) The question whether any person is entitled to supplementary benefit and the amount of any such benefit and any other question relating to supplementary benefit which arises under this Order or Article 6 of the Social Security (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 shall be determined by an adjudication officer appointed under section 97 of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975, a social security appeal tribunal

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constituted under that Act or a Social Security Commissioner in accordance with regulations made for the purposes of this Article; and any such regulations may in particular—

- (a) contain provisions corresponding to, or apply with or without modifications, any of the provisions for the time being applying to the determination of questions as to the right to any benefit under the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975;
- (b) make provision for purposes corresponding to those for which provision may be made by regulations under section 115 of that Act.

(1A) Regulations may provide for prescribed questions to be determined otherwise than by adjudication officers, social security appeal tribunals or Social Security Commissioners and, without prejudice to the generality of this paragraph, for such determinations, and any other prescribed determinations, to be effective or conclusive for prescribed purposes of this Order.”.

12. In Article 14. (modification of right to supplementary allowance in certain cases) for paragraphs (2) and (3) substitute the following paragraph—

“(2) A direction under paragraph (1) shall not come into force until a prescribed date.”.

13. In Article 25(5) (recovery in cases of misrepresentation or non-disclosure) for “Paragraphs (2) and (3)” substitute “Paragraph (2)”.

PART III

THE FAMILY INCOME SUPPLEMENTS ACT
(NORTHERN IRELAND) 1971

1971 c. 8 (N.I.)

14. In section 6 (determination of right to and amount of family income supplement) for subsection (1) substitute the following subsections—

“(1) The question whether any person is entitled to a family income supplement and the amount of any such supplement and any other question relating to family income supplement shall be determined by an adjudication officer appointed under section 97 of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975, a social security appeal tribunal constituted under that Act or a Social Security Commissioner in accordance with regulations made for the purposes of this section; and any such regulations may in particular—

- (a) contain provisions corresponding to, or apply with or without modifications, any of the provisions for the time being applying to the determination of questions as to the right to any benefit under the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975;
- (b) make provision for purposes corresponding to those for which provision may be made by regulations under section 115 of that Act.

(1A) Regulations may specify questions that are to be determined otherwise than by adjudication officers, social security appeal tribunals or Social Security Commissioners and, without prejudice to the generality of this subsection, may provide for such determinations, and any other determinations specified in the regulations, to be effective or conclusive for purposes of this Act so specified.”.

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15. In section 8(3), for “satisfy a supplement officer or the Appeal Tribunal” substitute “establish”.

PART IV

MISCELLANEOUS

The Northern Ireland Assembly Disqualification Act 1975 (c. 25)

16. In Part III of Schedule 1 (disqualifying offices) insert at the appropriate place—

“The President of Social Security Appeal Tribunals and Medical Appeal Tribunals for Northern Ireland.

A full-time Chairman of Social Security Appeal Tribunals and Medical Appeal Tribunals for Northern Ireland.”.

Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1980

(S.I. 1980/870 (N.I. 8))

17. In Article 11(1)(b) (appeal to Social Security Commissioner) for “if he refuses leave” substitute “subject to and in accordance with regulations”.

Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1982

(S.I. 1982/1084 (N.I. 16))

18. In paragraph 8 of Schedule 2—

(a) in sub-paragraph (1)(b) for “a benefit officer appointed under Article 33 of the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 determines” substitute “it is determined”; and

(b) sub-paragraph (4) shall cease to have effect.

19. In paragraph 12 of Schedule 3—

(a) for “if, in the opinion of” substitute “unless”; and

(b) for the words from “disclosure” to the end of the paragraph substitute “otherwise directs”.

Article 4

SCHEDULE 2

AMENDMENTS RELATING TO ADJUDICATING
MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS, ETC.

The principal Act

1.—(1) In section 108 (disablement questions) for subsection (2) substitute the following subsection—

“(2) Subject to and in accordance with regulations, the disablement questions shall be referred to and determined by an adjudicating medical practitioner or by two or more adjudicating medical practitioners or by a medical appeal tribunal.”.

(2) In subsection (3) of that section, for “medical boards” substitute “adjudicating medical practitioners”.

(3) For subsection (4) of that section substitute—

“(4) Where the case of a claimant for disablement benefit has been referred by the adjudication officer to one or more adjudicating medical practitioners for determination of the disablement questions and, on that or any other subsequent reference, the extent of the disablement is provisionally assessed, the case shall again be referred under this section, to one or more adjudicating medical practitioners as regulations may

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provide for the purposes of such subsequent references, not later than the end of the period taken into account by the provisional assessment.

(5) In the following provisions of this Act “adjudicating medical practitioner” means, in relation to any case, one such practitioner, unless regulations applicable to cases of that description provide for references to more than one.”.

2. In section 109 (medical appeals and references)—

- (a) in subsection (1), for “a medical board” substitute “an adjudicating medical practitioner”;
- (b) in subsection (2)—
 - (i) for “medical board” substitute “adjudicating medical practitioner”; and
 - (ii) the proviso shall cease to have effect; and
- (c) in subsection (3), for “medical board” substitute “adjudicating medical practitioner”.

3. In section 110 (review of medical decisions)—

- (a) in subsection (1) for “a medical board” substitute “an adjudicating medical practitioner”;
- (b) in subsection (2), for “a medical board if the board are” substitute “an adjudicating medical practitioner if he is”;
- (c) in subsection (6)—
 - (i) for “a medical board” substitute “an adjudicating medical practitioner”;
 - (ii) for “they” substitute “he”; and
 - (iii) for “them” substitute “him”; and
- (d) in subsection (7), for “a medical board” substitute “an adjudicating medical practitioner”.

4. In section 113 (adjudication as to industrial diseases)—

- (a) for paragraph (a) of subsection (2) substitute the following paragraph—
 - “(a) for the appointment of specially qualified adjudicating medical practitioners and the appointment of medical officers for the purposes of the regulations (which shall be taken to include, in the case of specially qualified adjudicating medical practitioners, the purposes for which adjudicating medical practitioners are appointed and medical appeal tribunals are established);”;
- (b) in subsection (2)(b), for “any such board or” substitute “specially qualified adjudicating medical practitioners or any such”;
- (c) in subsection (3)—
 - (i) for the words from “member”, in the first place where it occurs, to “established” substitute “specially qualified adjudicating medical practitioner appointed”;
 - (ii) for “member” in the second place where it occurs substitute “practitioner”; and
 - (iii) for “any such board or with the work” substitute “the work under this section of any such medical practitioner or”.

5. In section 115(2) (procedure regulations), for “a medical board or a

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single medical practitioner acting in place of a medical board” substitute “or an adjudicating medical practitioner”.

6. In section 117 (finality of decisions), in subsections (3) and (4), for “a medical board or” substitute “an adjudicating medical practitioner or a”.

7. In Schedule 12 (medical boards and medical appeal tribunals)—

(a) for paragraph 1 substitute the following paragraph—

“1.—(1) Adjudicating medical practitioners shall be appointed by the Department.

(2) The Department may make arrangements whereby any adjudicating medical practitioners for the purposes of the Social Security Act 1975 shall be adjudicating medical practitioners for the purposes of this Act.”; and

(b) for paragraphs 3, 4, 5 and 6 substitute the following paragraphs—

“3. Subject to the foregoing paragraphs, the appointment of adjudicating medical practitioners and the constitution of medical appeal tribunals shall be determined by regulations.

4. The Department may pay to adjudicating medical practitioners and chairmen and other members of medical appeal tribunals such remuneration and such travelling and other allowances, as it may determine.

5. The Department may pay to persons required to attend on the consideration of a case before an adjudicating medical practitioner or a medical appeal tribunal such travelling and other allowances as it may determine.

6. The Department may pay such other expenses as it may determine, being expenses incurred in connection with the work of adjudicating medical practitioners and medical appeal tribunals.”.

8. In Schedule 17 (glossary of expressions) insert at the appropriate point the following definition—

““Adjudicating medical practitioner.”

Construe in accordance with section 108(5).”.

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SCHEDULE 3

Article 6

REPEALS

Chapter or Number	Title	Extent of repeal
1971 c. 8 (N.I.).	The Family Income Supplements Act (Northern Ireland) 1971.	Section 1(1A). Section 7. Section 10(2)(h) and (2A). In section 16(1), the definition of "supplement officer".
1975 c. 15.	The Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975.	In section 109(2), the proviso. Sections 111 and 112. In section 117(4), the second paragraph. In section 146(d)(iii), the words "medical board or".
1975 c. 25.	The Northern Ireland Assembly Disqualification Act 1975.	In Part III of Schedule 1, the entries "Chairman of an Appeal Tribunal constituted in accordance with Schedule 4 to the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 or Senior Chairman in relation to such a tribunal" and "Chairman of a Local Tribunal constituted under section 94(2) of, and Schedule 10 to, the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975".
S.I. 1975/1504 (N.I. 16).	The Child Benefit (Northern Ireland) Order 1975.	In Article 2(2), the definitions of "insurance officer" and "local tribunal".
S.I. 1977/2156 (N.I. 27).	The Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977.	In Article 2(2), the definition of "benefit officer". In Article 16(4), the words from "and" onwards. Article 19(2)(d). Articles 20 and 20A. Article 25(3). Article 33(2). Article 34. Schedule 4. In Schedule 6, paragraphs 13 and 21.
S.I. 1979/396 (N.I. 5).	The Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1979.	Article 7(3) and (4). Schedule 2. In Schedule 3, paragraphs 1, 2, 13 and 24 to 26.

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Chapter or Number	Title	Extent of repeal
S.I. 1980/870 (N.I. 8).	The Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1980.	In Article 8— (a) in paragraph (1), sub-paragraph (c) and the immediately preceding “and”; (b) in paragraph (2), the words “,except in section 7(1),”; (c) paragraphs (3) and (4). In Schedule 1, paragraphs 11 and 16. In Schedule 2, paragraphs 3, 13(b)(iv), 14, 15, 19(b) and 23(b).
S.I. 1980/1087 (N.I. 13).	The Social Security (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order 1980.	Article 6(5) and (6).
S.I. 1982/1084 (N.I. 16).	The Social Security (Northern Ireland) Order 1982.	In Article 28(1), the definitions of “insurance officer” and “local tribunal”. In Schedule 2, paragraph 8(4). In Schedule 4, paragraph 15.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order is made only for purposes corresponding to those of section 25 of, and Schedule 8 to, the Health and Social Services and Social Security Adjudications Act 1983 (c. 41).

Article 3 transfers to officers to be called adjudication officers the functions of insurance officers appointed under the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975, benefit officers appointed under the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977 and supplement officers appointed under the Family Income Supplements Act (Northern Ireland) 1971. Article 3 also transfers to tribunals to be called social security appeal tribunals the functions of local tribunals constituted under the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975 and Appeal Tribunals constituted under the Supplementary Benefits (Northern Ireland) Order 1977.

Article 4 transfers the functions of medical boards constituted under the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975 and special medical boards established by virtue of regulations under section 113 of that Act to adjudicating medical practitioners and specially qualified adjudicating medical practitioners respectively.

Paragraph 5 of Schedule 1 provides for the appointment for Northern Ireland of a President of social security appeal tribunals and medical appeal tribunals by the Lord Chancellor.

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