## STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

# 2012 No. 311

The Council of the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland (Fitness to Practise and Disqualification) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2012

# PART 7

### General

#### Costs of the hearing

- **48.**—(1) Where a principal hearing, a review hearing or a restoration hearing is to be held, a party may serve on the other party, and on the secretary, a schedule of costs or expenses relating to or connected with that hearing no less than 24 hours before the date of the hearing.
- (2) After announcing the Statutory Committee's decision, the chair may invite representations as to whether costs or expenses should be assessed against either party.
- (3) After hearing any representations from the parties, the Statutory Committee may, if it thinks fit and having regard to the party's ability to pay, order that a party pay by a specified date all or part of the costs or expenses relating to the hearing incurred by the other party.
  - (4) Where the Statutory Committee orders a party to pay costs or expenses, the chair may—
    - (a) summarily assess the costs or expenses to be paid;
    - (b) require the parties to agree either the figure for the costs or expenses to be awarded; or
    - (c) require those costs or expenses to be assessed by a person appointed by the secretary.
- (5) Where a person is appointed by the secretary in accordance with paragraph (4)(c), that person must also determine how the costs of the assessment are to be apportioned.