



# Administration of Justice Act 1985

## 1985 CHAPTER 61

### PART IV

#### THE SUPREME COURT AND COUNTY COURTS

##### *Register of county court judgments*

#### **54 Register of county court judgments.**

(1) Section 73 of the County Courts Act 1984 (register of judgments and orders) shall be amended as provided in subsections (2) to (4) of this section.

(2) For subsection (1) there shall be substituted—

“(1) A register of every judgment entered in a county court for a sum of money of not less than the relevant amount shall be kept in such manner and in such place as may be prescribed.

In this subsection “the relevant amount” means £10 or such other amount as may be prescribed.”.

(3) For subsection (3) there shall be substituted—

“(3) Regulations under this section may—

- (a) prescribe circumstances in which judgments are to be exempt from registration or in which the registration of any judgment is to be cancelled;
- (b) provide for any specified class of judgments to be exempt from registration.”.

(4) For subsection (5) there shall be substituted—

“(5) The Lord Chancellor may, with the concurrence of the Treasury, fix the fees to be paid in respect of—

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- (a) the making of any information contained in an entry in the register available for inspection in visible and legible form;
- (b) the carrying out of any official search of the register;
- (c) the supply of a certified copy of any information contained in an entry in the register.”.

(5) After section 73 of the <sup>M1</sup>County Courts Act 1984 there shall be inserted—

**“73A Provision for register under s. 73 to be kept by body under contract to Lord Chancellor.**

- (1) If—
  - (a) there is in force an agreement between the Lord Chancellor and a body corporate relating to the keeping by that body corporate of the register under section 73 (“the register”); and
  - (b) provision is made by regulations under that section for the register to be kept in accordance with such an agreement,
 the register shall be kept by that body corporate.
- (2) Where the register is kept by a body corporate in pursuance of subsection (1) —
  - (a) the Lord Chancellor may recover from that body any expenses incurred by the Lord Chancellor in connection with the supply of information to that body for the purposes of the register;
  - (b) subsection (5) of section 73 shall have effect as if the words “maximum amounts in relation to” were inserted after the word “fix”; and
  - (c) subsection (6) of that section shall not apply.
- (3) Where subsection (1) of this section ceases to apply to a body corporate as a result of the termination (for any reason) of the agreement in question, the Lord Chancellor may require the information for the time being contained in the entries in the register to be transferred to such person as he may direct.”.

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