



Courts and Legal Services Act 1990

1990 CHAPTER 41

PART II

LEGAL SERVICES

The Legal Services Ombudsman

21 The Legal Services Ombudsman.

- (1) The [^{F1}Secretary of State] shall appoint a person for the purpose of conducting investigations under this Act.
- (2) The person appointed shall be known as “the Legal Services Ombudsman”.
- (3) The Legal Services Ombudsman—
 - (a) shall be appointed for a period of not more than three years; and
 - (b) shall hold and vacate office in accordance with the terms of his appointment.
- (4) At the end of his term of appointment the Legal Services Ombudsman shall be eligible for re-appointment.
- (5) The Legal Services Ombudsman shall not be an authorised advocate, authorised litigator, licensed conveyancer, authorised practitioner or notary.
- (6) Schedule 3 shall have effect with respect to the Legal Services Ombudsman.

Textual Amendments

- F1 Words in s. 21 substituted (19.8.2003) by [The Secretary of State for Constitutional Affairs Order 2003 \(S.I. 2003/1887\)](#), art. 9, [Sch. 2 para. 8\(1\)\(a\)](#) (with arts. 6, 8)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 Ss. 21-25 applied (with modifications) (25.10.2004) by [The Legal Services Ombudsman \(Extension of Remit\) Regulations 2004 \(S.I. 2004/2757\)](#), [regs. 3, 4](#)

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C2 S. 21 modified (temp.) (1.1.2010) by [The Legal Services Act 2007 \(Commencement No. 6, Transitory, Transitional and Saving Provisions\) Order 2009 \(S.I. 2009/3250\)](#), arts. 1(2), **7(2)** (with art. 9)

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