



Law Reform (Succession) Act 1995

1995 CHAPTER 41

Effect of dissolution or annulment of marriage

3 Effect of dissolution or annulment of marriage on will

- (1) In section 18A of the Wills Act 1837 (effect of dissolution or annulment of marriage on will), in subsection (1) for paragraphs (a) and (b) (abrogation of appointment of spouse as executor and lapse of devise or bequest to spouse) there shall be substituted—
- “(a) provisions of the will appointing executors or trustees or conferring a power of appointment, if they appoint or confer the power on the former spouse, shall take effect as if the former spouse had died on the date on which the marriage is dissolved or annulled, and
 - (b) any property which, or an interest in which, is devised or bequeathed to the former spouse shall pass as if the former spouse had died on that date.”.
- (2) Subsection (1) above has effect as respects a will made by a person dying on or after 1st January 1996 (regardless of the date of the will and the date of the dissolution or annulment).