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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 3

Section 5.

THE PROSCRIBED ORGANISATIONS APPEAL COMMISSION

Constitution and administration

- 1 (1) The Commission shall consist of members appointed by the Lord Chancellor.
 - (2) The Lord Chancellor shall appoint one of the members as chairman.
 - (3) A member shall hold and vacate office in accordance with the terms of his appointment.
 - (4) A member may resign at any time by notice in writing to the Lord Chancellor.
- 2 The Lord Chancellor may appoint officers and servants for the Commission.
- 3 The Lord Chancellor—
 - (a) may pay sums by way of remuneration, allowances, pensions and gratuities to or in respect of members, officers and servants,
 - (b) may pay compensation to a person who ceases to be a member of the Commission if the Lord Chancellor thinks it appropriate because of special circumstances, and
 - (c) may pay sums in respect of expenses of the Commission.

Procedure

- 4 (1) The Commission shall sit at such times and in such places as the Lord Chancellor may direct [FI after consulting the following—
 - (a) the Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales;
 - (b) the Lord President of the Court of Session;
 - (c) the Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland].
 - (2) The Commission may sit in two or more divisions.
 - (3) At each sitting of the Commission—
 - (a) three members shall attend,
 - (b) one of the members shall be a person who holds or has held high judicial office (within the meaning of the MI Appellate Jurisdiction Act 1876), and
 - (c) the chairman or another member nominated by him shall preside and report the Commission's decision.
 - [F2(4) The Lord Chief Justice may nominate a judicial office holder (as defined in section 109(4) of the Constitutional Reform Act 2005) to exercise his functions under this paragraph.

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- (5) The Lord President of the Court of Session may nominate a judge of the Court of Session who is a member of the First or Second Division of the Inner House of that Court to exercise his functions under this paragraph.
- (6) The Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland may nominate any of the following to exercise his functions under this paragraph—
 - (a) the holder of one of the offices listed in Schedule 1 to the Justice (Northern Ireland) Act 2002 (c. 26);
 - (b) a Lord Justice of Appeal (as defined in section 88 of that Act).]

Textual Amendments

- F1 Words in Sch. 3 para. 4(1) inserted (3.4.2006) by Constitutional Reform Act 2005 (c. 4), s. 15(1), Sch. 4 Pt. 1 para. 289(2); S.I. 2006/1014, art. 2(1), Sch. 1
- F2 Sch. 3 para. 4(4)-(6) inserted (3.4.2006) by Constitutional Reform Act 2005 (c. 4), s. 15(1), Sch. 4 Pt. 1 para. 289(3); S.I. 2006/1014, art. 2(1), Sch. 1

Marginal Citations

M1 1876 c. 59.

- 5 (1) The Lord Chancellor may make rules—
 - (a) regulating the exercise of the right of appeal to the Commission:
 - (b) prescribing practice and procedure to be followed in relation to proceedings before the Commission;
 - (c) providing for proceedings before the Commission to be determined without an oral hearing in specified circumstances;
 - (d) making provision about evidence in proceedings before the Commission (including provision about the burden of proof and admissibility of evidence);
 - (e) making provision about proof of the Commission's decisions.
 - (2) In making the rules the Lord Chancellor shall, in particular, have regard to the need to secure—
 - (a) that decisions which are the subject of appeals are properly reviewed, and
 - (b) that information is not disclosed contrary to the public interest.
 - (3) The rules shall make provision permitting organisations to be legally represented in proceedings before the Commission.
 - (4) The rules may, in particular—
 - (a) provide for full particulars of the reasons for proscription or refusal to deproscribe to be withheld from the organisation or applicant concerned and from any person representing it or him;
 - (b) enable the Commission to exclude persons (including representatives) from all or part of proceedings;
 - (c) enable the Commission to provide a summary of evidence taken in the absence of a person excluded by virtue of paragraph (b);
 - (d) permit preliminary or incidental functions to be discharged by a single member;

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- (e) permit proceedings for permission to appeal under section 6 to be determined by a single member;
- (f) make provision about the functions of persons appointed under paragraph 7;
- (g) make different provision for different parties or descriptions of party.
- (5) Rules under this paragraph—
 - (a) shall be made by statutory instrument, and
 - (b) shall not be made unless a draft has been laid before and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.
- (6) In this paragraph a reference to proceedings before the Commission includes a reference to proceedings arising out of proceedings before the Commission.
- 6 (1) This paragraph applies to—
 - (a) proceedings brought by an organisation before the Commission, and
 - (b) proceedings arising out of proceedings to which paragraph (a) applies.
 - (2) Proceedings shall be conducted on behalf of the organisation by a person designated by the Commission (with such legal representation as he may choose to obtain).
 - (3) In [F3 paragraph 5] of this Schedule a reference to an organisation includes a reference to a person designated under this paragraph.

Textual Amendments

- **F3** Words in Sch. 3 para. 6(3) substituted (2.10.2000) by 2000 c. 23, s. 82, **Sch. 4 para. 12(2)** (with s. 82(3)); S.I. 2000/2543, **art. 3**
- 7 (1) The relevant law officer may appoint a person to represent the interests of an organisation or other applicant in proceedings in relation to which an order has been made by virtue of paragraph 5(4)(b).
 - (2) The relevant law officer is—
 - (a) in relation to proceedings in England and Wales, the Attorney General,
 - (b) in relation to proceedings in Scotland, the Advocate General for Scotland, and
 - (c) in relation to proceedings in Northern Ireland, the Attorney General for Northern Ireland.
 - (3) A person appointed under this paragraph must—
 - (a) have a general qualification for the purposes of section 71 of the M2Courts and Legal Services Act 1990 (qualification for legal appointments),
 - (b) be an advocate or a solicitor who has rights of audience in the Court of Session or the High Court of Justiciary by virtue of section 25A of the M3Solicitors (Scotland) Act 1980, or
 - (c) be a member of the Bar of Northern Ireland.
 - (4) A person appointed under this paragraph shall not be responsible to the organisation or other applicant whose interests he is appointed to represent.
 - (5) In [F4paragraph 5] of this Schedule a reference to a representative does not include a reference to a person appointed under this paragraph.

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Textual Amendments

F4 Words in Sch. 3 para. 7(5) substituted (2.10.2000) by 2000 c. 23, s. 82, **Sch. 4 para. 12(2)** (with s. 82(3)); S.I. 2000/2543, **art. 3**

Marginal Citations

M2 1990 c. 41. **M3** 1980 c. 46.

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Textual Amendments

F5 Sch. 3 para. 8 repealed (2.10.2000) by 2000 c. 23, s. 82, Sch. 5 (with s. 82(3)); S.I. 2000/2543, art. 3

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