MENTAL CAPACITY ACT 2005

EXPLANATORY NOTES

SCHEDULES

Schedule 1: Lasting powers of attorney: formalities

Part 3: Cancellation of registration and notification of severance

- 163. The Public Guardian will cancel an LPA if he is satisfied that the power has been revoked on the basis of:
 - the donor's bankruptcy;
 - the donee giving up his/her appointment by exercising a disclaimer;
 - the death of the donee;
 - the insolvency of the donee;
 - the dissolution or annulment of a marriage or civil partnership between donor and donee; and
 - the lack of capacity of the donee.
- 164. The court must direct the Public Guardian to cancel the registration of an LPA if the court:
 - decides that a requirement for creating the LPA was not met;
 - decides that the power has been revoked or otherwise come to an end; or
 - revokes the power on fraud or undue pressure grounds.
- 165. On cancellation of the registration of an LPA the Public Guardian will notify both the donor and donee to this effect. Where the court has removed a provision from an instrument, *paragraph* 19(2)(a) requires the court to notify the Public Guardian of the severance of that provision. And where the court determines that a provision in an instrument means that instrument cannot operate as a valid LPA, *paragraph* 19(2) (b) requires the court to direct the Public Guardian to cancel the registration of that instrument as an LPA.