

# Crime and Courts Act 2013

## **2013 CHAPTER 22**

### PART 2

#### COURTS AND JUSTICE

#### Proceeds of crime

#### 46 Restraint orders and legal aid

- (1) Section 41 of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (confiscation in England and Wales: restraint orders) is amended in accordance with subsections (2) to (6).
- (2) After subsection (2) insert—
  - "(2A) A restraint order must be made subject to an exception enabling relevant legal aid payments to be made (a legal aid exception).
  - (2B) A relevant legal aid payment is a payment that the specified person is obliged to make—
    - (a) by regulations under section 23 or 24 of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012, and
    - (b) in connection with services provided in relation to an offence which falls within subsection (5),

whether the obligation to make the payment arises before or after the restraint order is made."

- (3) In subsection (3)—
  - (a) after "subject to" insert " other ", and
  - (b) omit paragraph (c).
- (4) In subsection (4), for "But an exception to a restraint order" substitute "But where an exception to a restraint order is made under subsection (3), it ".
- (5) After subsection (5) insert—

- "(5A) A legal aid exception-
  - (a) must be made subject to prescribed restrictions (if any) on-
    - (i) the circumstances in which payments may be made in reliance on the exception, or
    - (ii) the amount of the payments that may be made in reliance on the exception,
  - (b) must be made subject to other prescribed conditions (if any), and
  - (c) may be made subject to other conditions.
  - (5B) Any other exception to a restraint order may be made subject to conditions."
- (6) After subsection (9) insert—
  - "(10) In this section "prescribed" means prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State."
- (7) In section 459 of that Act (orders and regulations)—
  - (a) in subsection (4)(a), after "section" insert "41(5A), ", and
  - (b) in subsection (6)(a), after "section" insert "41(5A), ".

#### **Commencement Information**

- II S. 46(1) in force at 20.3.2015 for specified purposes by S.I. 2015/813, art. 2(a)(i)
- I2 S. 46(1)(5) in force at 1.6.2015 in so far as not already in force by S.I. 2015/813, art. 3(b)
- I3 S. 46(2)-(4) in force at 1.6.2015 by S.I. 2015/813, art. 3(b)
- I4 S. 46(5) in force at 20.3.2015 for specified purposes by S.I. 2015/813, art. 2(a)(ii)
- I5 S. 46(6)(7) in force at 20.3.2015 by S.I. 2015/813, art. 2(a)(iii)

#### Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Crime and Courts Act 2013, Section 46.