

1968 No. 1934 (L.21)

**MATRIMONIAL CAUSES  
COUNTY COURTS**
**The Divorce County Courts (Amendment) Order 1968**

*Made* - - - - *3rd December 1968*  
*Coming into Operation* *1st January 1969*

I, Gerald, Baron Gardiner, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 1(1) of the Matrimonial Causes Act 1967<sup>(a)</sup>, and section 2 of the County Courts Act 1959<sup>(b)</sup>, hereby make the following Order:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Divorce County Courts (Amendment) Order 1968, and shall come into operation on 1st January 1969.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889<sup>(c)</sup> shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. The Divorce County Courts Order 1968<sup>(d)</sup>, which designates certain courts as divorce county courts and courts of trial for undefended matrimonial causes, shall have effect subject to the provisions of this Order, and a reference in any of the following paragraphs to a schedule by number means the schedule so numbered in that Order.

3. The Guildford County Court shall be a court of trial for the purposes of section 1(1) of the Matrimonial Causes Act 1967, and accordingly that court shall be marked "T" in Schedule 1.

4. The following words shall be omitted from Schedule 1, namely:—

- (a) "and Wigton" after "Carlisle";
- (b) "and Horncastle" after "Lincoln";
- (c) "and Oundle" after "Peterborough";

and the references to the Carlisle and Wigton County Court, the Lincoln and Horncastle County Court and the Peterborough and Oundle County Court shall be omitted from Schedule 2.

5. For the words "Newport and Ryde" in Schedule 1 there shall be substituted the words "Newport, Isle of Wight".

6. After the first entry in Schedule 2 there shall be inserted the following entry:—

*Column 1*  
*"Norwich*

*Column 2*  
*Norwich"*

Dated 3rd December 1968.

*Gardiner, C.*

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(a) 1967 c. 56.  
(c) 1889 c. 63.

(b) 1959 c. 22.  
(d) S.I. 1968/314 (1968 I, p. 940).

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

This Order amends the Divorce County Courts Order 1968 by adding Guildford to the list of county courts at which undefended matrimonial causes may be tried, and makes several minor amendments to take account of recent changes in the names and districts of county courts.