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The Criminal Legal Aid (Recovery of Defence Costs Orders) Regulations 2013

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

"the Act" means the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012;

"capital" means the amount or value of every resource of a capital nature;

"criminal legal aid" means representation made available under section 16 (representation for criminal proceedings) of the Act;

"gross annual income" means a represented individual's total income from all sources during the year ending on the date on which the application for a determination under section 16 of the Act is made in relation to relevant proceedings;

"provider" means a person with whom the Lord Chancellor has made an arrangement under section 2(1) of the Act (arrangements) for the provision of criminal legal aid;

"qualifying benefit" means-

- income support payable under section 124 of the Social Security Contributions and (a) Benefits Act 1992(1) or section 123 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(2);
- income-based jobseeker's allowance payable under the Jobseekers Act 1995(3) or an (b) allowance payable under Part II of the Jobseekers (Northern Ireland) Order 1995(4);
- guarantee credit payable under section 1(3)(a) of the State Pension Credit Act 2002(5) (c) or section 1(3)(a) of the State Pension Credit Act (Northern Ireland) 2002(6);
- income-related employment and support allowance payable under Part 1 of the Welfare (d) Reform Act 2007(7) or section 1(2)(b) of the Welfare Reform Act (Northern Ireland) 2007(8); and
- universal credit payable under Part 1 of the Welfare Reform Act 2012(9); (e)

"Recovery of Defence Costs Order (an "RDCO")" means a document that records a determination made under these Regulations;

"registrar" means the registrar of the Supreme Court or the registrar of criminal appeals and any officer designated to act on their behalf;

"relevant court" means the court before which the proceedings are heard;

¹⁹⁹² c. 4. Section 124 is to be repealed by Part 1 of Schedule 14 to the Welfare Reform Act 2012 at a date to be appointed. (1)

^{(2) 1992} c. 7. (**3**) 1995 c. 18.

S.I. 1995/2705 (N.I. 15).

⁽⁴⁾ S.I. 1995/2⁷
(5) 2002 c. 16.

^{(6) 2002} c. 14.

^{(7) 2007} c. 5.

^{(8) 2007} c. 2.

^{(9) 2012} c. 5.

"relevant proceedings" means criminal proceedings before any court other than the magistrates' court or the Crown Court; and

"represented individual" means an individual to whom representation is provided under section 16 of the Act in relation to relevant proceedings.