SUPREME COURT OF JUDICATURE, ENGLAND

ASSIZES

1959 No. 1307

The Assizes (Western Circuit) (No. 2) Order, 1959

Made - - - -	*28th July*, 1959
Laid before Parliament	*4th August*, 1959
Coming into Operation	*5th August*, 1959

At the Court of Saint James, the 28th day of July, 1959

Present,

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother

Her Royal Highness The Princess Alexandra of Kent

Lord President	**Mr. Brooke**
Earl of Selkirk	**Mr. Aubrey Jones**

Whereas Her Majesty, in pursuance of the Regency Acts, 1937 to 1953, was pleased, by Letters Patent dated the fifteenth day of June, 1959, to delegate to the following Counsellors of State (subject to the exceptions hereinafter mentioned) or any two or more of them, that is to say, His Royal Highness Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester, His Royal Highness The Duke of Kent and Her Royal Highness The Princess Alexandra of Kent, full power and authority during the period of Her Majesty's absence from the United Kingdom to summon and hold on Her Majesty's behalf Her Privy Council and to signify thereat Her Majesty's approval for anything for which Her Majesty's approval in Council is required :

And Whereas Her Majesty was further pleased to except from the number of the said Counsellors of State His Royal Highness Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, and His Royal Highness The Duke of Kent and Her Royal Highness The Princess Alexandra of Kent while absent from the United Kingdom:

And Whereas by section 72 of the Supreme Court of Judicature (Consolidation) Act, 1925(a), it is enacted that Her Majesty may from time to time by Order in Council provide for the appointment of the place or places at which assizes are to be held on any circuit, and for any matters which appear to Her Majesty to be necessary or proper for carrying into effect any Order made under that section :

And Whereas by an Order in Council dated the fourteenth day of May, 1912(b), it is provided that the Summer Assizes for the County of Somerset shall be held at Wells :

And Whereas by an Order in Council dated the ninth day of November, 1920(c), it is provided that the Autumn Assizes for the said County shall be held at Taunton and Wells alternately :

(a) 15 & 16 Geo. 5. c. 49. (b) S.R. & O. 1912/537 (Rev. XXII, p. 29: 1912, p. 1186).
(c) S.R. & O. 1920/2230 (1920 II, p. 699).

And Whereas by the Assizes (Western Circuit) Order, 1959(a), it is provided that the Summer Assizes for the said County shall for this year only be held at Taunton, and that the Autumn Assizes for the said County shall for this year and for the year 1960 be held at Wells, and thereafter at Taunton and Wells alternately:

And Whereas it is anticipated that there will be no convenient Assize Court at Wells until the Hilary Sittings in the year 1961, and it is therefore expedient that such provision should be made for the holding of Assizes for the said County as hereinafter appears:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother and Her Royal Highness The Princess Alexandra of Kent, being authorised thereto by the said Letters Patent, and in pursuance of the powers conferred by the said Act, do hereby, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council, on Her Majesty's behalf order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. The Autumn Assizes for the County of Somerset shall for this year and the years 1960 and 1961 be held at Taunton and thereafter at Wells and Taunton alternately.

2. The Summer Assizes for the said County shall for the year 1960 only be held at Taunton instead of Wells.

3. The Assizes (Western Circuit) Order, 1959, is hereby revoked, so however that the revocation of the said Order shall not affect anything done or to be done thereunder for the purposes of the Summer Assizes, 1959.

4. This Order may be cited as the Assizes (Western Circuit) (No. 2) Order, 1959, and shall come into operation on the fifth day of August, 1959.

W. G. Agnew.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but it is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order provides that the Autumn Assizes for the County of Somerset for the years 1959, 1960 and 1961 are to be held at Taunton, and thereafter at Wells and Taunton alternately, and that the Summer Assizes for the year 1960 are to be held at Taunton.

FEES AND STAMPS

1959 No. 2262 (L. 20)

The Supreme Court Fees (Amendment) Order, 1959

Made - - - - 24*th December*, 1959
Coming into Operation 1*st January*, 1960

The Lord Chancellor, the Judges of the Supreme Court, and the Treasury, in exercise of the powers and authorities vested in them respectively by

(a) S.I. 1959/408.