STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2025 No. 718 (C. 30)

CIVIL PROCEEDINGS, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023 (Commencement No. 5) Regulations 2025

Made - - - - *10th June 2025*

The Lord Chancellor makes these Regulations in exercise of the power conferred by section 219(1) of the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023(**a**).

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023 (Commencement No. 5) Regulations 2025.

Provision coming into force on 18th June 2025

2. The following provisions of the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023 come into force on 18th June 2025, insofar as they are not already in force(**b**)—

(a) section 194 (strategic litigation against public participation: requirement to make rules of court); and

(b) section 195 (meaning of "SLAPP" claim).

Signed by authority of the Lord Chancellor

Sarah Sackman
Minister of State
Ministry of Justice

10th June 2025

(**a**) 2023 c. 56.
(**b**) Sections 194 and 195 were brought into force at Royal Assent for certain purposes by virtue of section 219(2)(b).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations are the fifth set of commencement regulations made under the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023 (c. 56). They commence sections 194 and 195 of that Act, insofar as they are not already in force.

The effect of those sections is to require the Lord Chancellor to make Civil Procedure Rules that enable a court to dismiss a SLAPP claim (within the meaning of section 195) before trial in certain circumstances and to make certain costs orders as specified in section 194(4).

Relevant amendments to the Civil Procedure Rules 1998 (S.I. 1998/3132) will come into force on the same day as the provision which this instrument brings into force (see S.I. 2025/106, rule 1(2), rule 4 and rule 9).

NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT REGULATIONS

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

The following provisions of the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023 have been brought into force by commencement Regulations made before the date of these Regulations.

Provision	*Date of Commencement*	*S.I. No.*
Sections 1 and 2	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Sections 4(3) and 4(4)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2424/269
Sections 8 to 21	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 22	15th January 2024	S.I. 2023/1206
Sections 23 to 26	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 27	15th January 2024	S.I. 2023/1206
Sections 28 to 30	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 35 (insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 36	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 37 (insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 38	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 39 (insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Sections 40 to 42	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 45	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 47	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 48 (insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 51 (for limited purposes)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 52 (insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 59 other than subsection (2) to the extent that it substitutes section 853A(1)(b)(iii) of the Companies Act 2006 (c. 46)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269

Sections 60 and 61	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 63	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 65 (insofar as not already in force)	18th March 2025	S.I. 2025/349
Section 67	15th January 2024	S.I. 2023/1206
Section 68 (insofar as not already in force)	18th March 2025	S.I. 2025/349
Section 70	18th March 2025	S.I. 2025/349
Section 71	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 75(1) and (2)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 75(3) and (4)	5th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Sections 76 to 84	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 85 (insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 86	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 87 (insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Sections 88 to 90	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 91 (insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 92	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Sections 93 and 94 (insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 95	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 96 (insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 97	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 102	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 103	15th January 2024	S.I. 2023/1206
Sections 104 to 107 (insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 108	4th March 2024	S.I. 2023/269
Section 136(2)	18th March 2025	S.I. 2025/349
Section 147	15th January 2024	S.I. 2023/1206
Section 155 (insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Sections 156 and157	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 161 (insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 162	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 164	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 167 (insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 169	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 170 (insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Sections 171 to 173	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Sections 175 to 177	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 179 (in so far as it relates to Part 1 of Schedule 8, insofar as not already in force)	26th April 2024	S.I. 2024/269

Section 179 (in so far as it relates to Part 3 of Schedule 8, insofar as not already in force)	26th April 2024	N.I.S.R. 2024/82
Section 180 (in part)	26th April 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 180 (so far as not already in force)	7th November 2024	S.I. 2024/1108
Section 181 (insofar as not already in force)	26th April 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 183	15th January 2024	S.I. 2023/1206
Section 185 and 186 (insofar as not already in force)	26th April 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Sections 187 to 193	15th January 2024	S.I. 2023/1206
Sections 199 to 206 (insofar as not already in force)	1st September 2025	S.I. 2025/349
Sections 207 to 209	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 210 (insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Section 211	15th January 2024	S.I. 2023/1206
Section 212	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Sections 214 (insofar as not already in force)	15th November 2023	S.I. 2023/1206
Section 215	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Schedule 2 (for limited purposes insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Schedule 3 (insofar as not already in force)	4th March 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Part 1 of Schedule 8 (insofar as not already in force)	26th April 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Part 3 of Schedule 8 (insofar as not already in force)	26th April 2024	N.I.S.R. 2024/82
Schedule 9 (insofar as not already in force)	7th November 2024	S.I. 2024/1108
Schedule 10 (insofar as not already in force)	26th April 2024	S.I. 2024/269
Schedule 11	15th January 2024	S.I. 2023/1206
Schedule 13 (insofar as not already in force)	1st September 2025	S.I. 2025/349

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