STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 1975 No. 157

## PARLIAMENT

## The House of Commons Disqualification Order 1975

| | |
|---|---|
| *Made* - - - - | *12th February* 1975 |
| *Coming into Operation* | *12th February* 1975 |

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 12th day of February 1975

**Present,**

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas section 5 of the House of Commons Disqualification Act 1957(**a**) enables Her Majesty by Order in Council to amend Schedule 1 to that Act, in its application to the House of Commons, in accordance with a resolution of that House:

And whereas on 28th January 1975 it was resolved by the House of Commons that Schedule 1 to the Act of 1957, in its application to that House be amended:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in pursuance of the said section 5 and in accordance with the said resolution, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

**1.**—(1) This Order may be cited as the House of Commons Disqualification Order 1975.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(**b**) applies for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(3) This Order shall come into operation on 12th February 1975.

**2.** In its application to the House of Commons, Schedule 1 to the House of Commons Disqualification Act 1957 (which, as subsequently amended, specifies offices the holders of which are disqualified for membership of the House of Commons), shall have effect subject to the amendments specified in the Schedule to this Order.

*N. E. Leigh*,

(**a**) 1957 c. 20. (**b**) 1889 c. 63.

## SCHEDULE

AMENDMENTS OF SCHEDULE 1 TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS DISQUALIFICATION ACT 1957 IN RELATION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

*Amendments of Part II*

1. Insert at the appropriate places in alphabetical order:—

"The Advisory Board for the Research Councils.

The Health and Safety Executive.

The Intervention Board for Agricultural Produce and every committee of the Board performing functions of the Board.

The Metrication Board.

The Northern Ireland Electricity Service.

The Review Board for Government Contracts".

2. Omit the entries relating to the Electricity Board for Northern Ireland, the Great Northern Railway Board, the Panel of Referees, a standing committee appointed under section 4 of the Merchandise Marks Act 1926, and the Ulster Transport Authority.

3. In the entry beginning "A Development Corporation" add at the end, "or the New Towns (Scotland) Act 1968".

In the entry beginning "An Independent Schools Tribunal" for the words from "or under" to the end substitute "or under Schedule 7 to the Education (Scotland) Act 1962".

In the entry relating to the Industrial Estates Corporations for "by the Local Employment Act 1960" substitute "in accordance with the Local Employment Act 1972".

In the entry beginning "The White Fish Authority" for the words from "under section 1" to the end substitute "in accordance with section 1 of the Sea Fish Industry Act 1970 and the committee constituted in accordance with section 2 of that Act".

*Amendments of Part III*

4. Insert at the appropriate places in alphabetical order:—

"Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Distinction Awards.

Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Distinction Awards in Northern Ireland.

Paid Chairman of an Economic Development Committee.

Chairman of a Health and Social Services Board established under Article 16 of the Health and Social Services (Northern Ireland) Order 1972.

Chairman of the Local Government Staff Commission for Northern Ireland.

Paid Chairman of a National Economic Development Council Working Party.

Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the National Seed Development Organisation Limited.

Chairman of the Northern Ireland Central Services Agency for the Health and Social Services.

Chairman of the Northern Ireland Council for Nurses and Midwives.

Chairman of the Northern Ireland Staffs Council for the Health and Social Services.

Chairman of a Regional Economic Planning Council.

Chairman of the Staff Commission for Education and Library Boards in Northern Ireland.

Chairman of the tribunal constituted under section 463 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970.

Chief Electoral Officer or Deputy Electoral Officer for Northern Ireland.

Commissioner or Assistant Commissioner appointed under section 50(1) or (2) of, or Schedule 4 to, the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 1972.

Crown Solicitor for Northern Ireland.

Director of International Computers (Holdings) Limited nominated or appointed by a Minister of the Crown or government department.

Director of the Peterhead Bay (Management) Company Limited.

Director or Deputy Director of Public Prosecutions for Northern Ireland.

The Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints.

The Northern Ireland Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration."

5. Omit the entries beginning " Accountant appointed by the Secretary of State ", " Chairman of the Technical Personnel Committee ", " Director of Beagle Aircraft ", " Director of Fairfields ", " Director of National Cold Stores ", " Lecturer or teacher ", " Legal Adviser ", " Secretary or deputy secretary " (in the composite entry relating to local government officers), " Town clerk or deputy town clerk " (in the same composite entry), " Secretary of the First Scottish ", " Solicitor for the Scottish Hospital " and " Superintendent registrar ".

6. For the entry beginning " Agent in Great Britain " substitute " Agent for Northern Ireland in Great Britain ".

For the entry beginning " Chairman or Reserve Chairman of an Appeal Tribunal ", substitute " Chairman of an Appeal Tribunal constituted under Schedule 3 to the Ministry of Social Security Act 1966 or Schedule 3 to the Supplementary Benefits &c. Act (Northern Ireland) 1966 ".

In the entry beginning " Director of any company ", for " or the Local Employment Acts 1960 to 1966 " substitute " the Shipbuilding Industry Act 1967, the Local Employment Act 1972 or Part II of the Industry Act 1972 ".

In the entry relating to local government officers, for " the council of an urban or rural district " substitute " a district council ".

In the second entry beginning " Member of an Agricultural Marketing Board " omit " by the Minister of Agriculture for Northern Ireland ".

In the entry beginning " Member appointed by the Secretary of State " omit from " or of an agricultural " to the end.

In the entry beginning " Member appointed by the Minister of Agriculture for Northern Ireland " for " Minister " substitute " Head of the department or Minister ".

In the entry beginning " Officer of the Board of Referees " for " 287 of the Income Tax Act 1952 " substitute " 26 of the Capital Allowances Act 1968 ".

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order amends the lists of offices which disqualify holders for membership of the House of Commons, and which are contained in Schedule 1 to the House of Commons Disqualification Act 1957.

SI 1975/157
ISBN 0-11-050157-8

