STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1963 No. 1706

LAND REGISTRATION

The Land Registration (District Registries) Order 1963

Made - - - - 9*th October* 1963
Coming into Operation 2*nd December* 1963

I, Reginald Edward, Baron Dilhorne, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by sections 132 and 133 of the Land Registration Act 1925(a), and all other powers enabling me in this behalf, and with the concurrence of the Treasury, do hereby make the following Order:—

Title, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Land Registration (District Registries) Order 1963 and shall come into operation on 2nd December 1963.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(3) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires:—

"the Act" means the Land Registration Act 1925;

"application" means an application made or delivered under the Land Registration Rules 1925(c) and the Land Registration Rules 1930(d), as amended(e), and includes a notice or other instrument so made or delivered;

"district registry" means a district registry of the Land Registry within the meaning of section 132 of the Act;

"the Land Registry" means Her Majesty's Land Registry; and

"the Land Registry area" means any administrative county or county borough in England and Wales not forming a district or part of a district under this Order.

District registries

2.—(1) There shall be district registries bearing the names and at the places specified in column 1 of the Schedule to this Order.

(2) Each district registry shall be the proper office for the registration of titles to land and for the delivery of any application relating to land in its district, which shall comprise the administrative counties and county boroughs specified in columns 2 and 3 of the Schedule opposite the name of the district registry.

Delivery of instruments and applications at the proper office

3.—(1) No application shall be duly delivered until it is delivered at the proper office.

(a) 15 & 16 Geo. 5. c. 21. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.
(c) S.R. & O. 1925/1093 (Rev. XII p. 81: 1925, p. 717). (d) S.R. & O. 1930/211 (Rev. XII, p. 167: 1930, p. 798). (e) The relevant amending instrument is S.R. & O. 1936/1302 (Rev. XII, p. 167: 1936 I, p. 1537).

(2) For the purposes of the foregoing sub-paragraph :—

(*a*) where an application relates to land situate wholly within a district, the proper office shall be the district registry for that district;

(*b*) where an application relates to land situate within two or more districts, the proper office shall be any one of the district registries for those districts;

(*c*) where an application relates to land situate not only within one or more districts but also within the Land Registry area, the proper office shall be either the district registry for that district (or any one of the district registries for those districts, as the case may be) or the Land Registry;

(*d*) where an application relates to land situate wholly within the Land Registry area, the proper office shall be the Land Registry.

District registrars

4. The district registrar appointed for each district shall have the powers and indemnity conferred by section 133 of the Act:

Provided that:

(*a*) all powers and duties which in the Land Registry can only be exercised and performed by the Chief Land Registrar shall be reserved to and be exercised by the Chief Land Registrar; and

(*b*) all other powers and duties of the district registrar shall be exercised and performed under the general direction and authority of the Chief Land Registrar.

Dated 9th October 1963.

Dilhorne, C.

We concur.

M. A. Hamilton,
G. T. C. Campbell,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of
Her Majesty's Treasury.

SCHEDULE

1 District Registries	2 Administrative Counties	3 County Boroughs
The Lytham District Land Registry at Lytham St. Anne's	Buckingham Cambridge Chester Cumberland Gloucestershire Herefordshire Hertfordshire Huntingdonshire Isle of Ely Lancaster Lincoln, Parts of Holland Lincoln, Parts of Kesteven Lincoln, Parts of Lindsey Monmouthshire Norfolk Northamptonshire Rutland Salop Soke of Peterborough East Suffolk West Suffolk Westmorland All the counties in Wales	Barrow-in-Furness, Birkenhead, Blackburn, Blackpool, Bolton, Bootle, Burnley, Bury, Carlisle, Chester, Gloucester, Great Yarmouth, Grimsby, Ipswich, Lincoln, Liverpool, Manchester, Newport, Northampton, Norwich, Oldham, Preston, Rochdale, St. Helens, Salford, Southport, Stockport, Wallasey, Warrington, Wigan, all the county boroughs in Wales.
The Nottingham District Land Registry at Nottingham	Derbyshire Durham Leicester Nottinghamshire Northumberland Staffordshire Warwickshire Worcestershire Yorkshire, East Riding Yorkshire, North Riding Yorkshire, West Riding	Barnsley, Birmingham, Bradford, Burton upon Trent, Coventry, Darlington, Derby, Dewsbury, Doncaster, Dudley, Gateshead, Halifax, Huddersfield, Kingston upon Hull, Leeds, Leicester, Middlesbrough, Newcastle upon Tyne, Nottingham, Rotherham, Sheffield, Smethwick, South Shields, Stoke-on-Trent, Sunderland, Tynemouth, Wakefield, Walsall, West Bromwich, West Hartlepool, Wolverhampton, Worcester, York.
The Tunbridge Wells District Land Registry at Tunbridge Wells	Berkshire Cornwall Devon Dorset Hampshire Isle of Wight Kent Oxford Somerset East Sussex West Sussex Wiltshire	Bath, Bournemouth, Brighton, Bristol, Canterbury, Eastbourne, Exeter, Hastings, Oxford, Plymouth, Portsmouth, Reading, Southampton.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order creates district registries of the Land Registry at Lytham St. Anne's, Nottingham and Tunbridge Wells. From 2nd December 1963 each will be the only proper office for the registration of titles to land within its own district. The Land Registry in London will continue to be the proper office for the registration of titles to land outside the districts described in the Schedule.

Paragraph 3 provides that applications for the registration of titles, etc., shall not be duly delivered until they are delivered at the proper office.

Paragraph 4 defines the powers and duties of the district registrars.