STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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JUDGES

The Maximum Number of Judges Order 1970

Laid before Parliament in draft

Made - - - - 28*th July* 1970

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 28th day of July 1970

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas a draft of the following Order was laid before Parliament and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred on Her by section 1(2) of the Administration of Justice Act 1968(**a**), 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 Maximum Number of Judges Order 1970.

(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.

2. The maximum number of judges in England and Wales which is prescribed by section 1(1)(*b*) of the Administration of Justice Act 1968, as amended(**c**), shall be increased—

(i) in the case of ordinary judges of the Court of Appeal, from 13 to 14 ;

(ii) in the case of puisne judges of the High Court, from 70 to 75 ; and

(iii) in the case of county court judges, from 105 to 125.

W. G. Agnew.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order increases the maximum number of ordinary judges of the Court of Appeal from 13 to 14, puisne judges of the High Court from 70 to 75 and county court judges from 105 to 125.

(a) 1968 c. 5. (b) 1889 c. 63. (c) S.I. 1969/862 (1969 II, p. 2444).

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