PETTY SESSIONS CLERK.

Age Limit for Appointment.

MADE BY THE GOVERNOR OF NORTHERN IRELAND, PURSUANT TO THE PETTY SESSIONS CLERK IRELAND ACT, 1858, 21 & 22 VICT., C. 100.

1927. No. 110.

WHEREAS by Section 29 of the Petty Sessions Clerk (Ireland) Act, 1858, the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland was authorised to make such general rules as should seem to him expedient for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of the said Act and from time to time to vary such rules :

And whereas by virtue of the provisions of the Government of Ireland Act, 1920, and the Free State (Consequential Provisions) Act, 1922, the power of making and varying such rules is now vested in the Governor of Northern Ireland :

And whereas on the 22nd day of August, 1922, the Lord Lieutenant made certain rules fixing the limits of age of candidates for the position of Petty Sessions Clerk in Northern Ireland :

And whereas it is expedient to vary the said rules made the 22nd day of August, 1922 :

Now I, James Albert Edward, Duke of Abercorn, Governor of Northern Ireland, in pursuance of the powers vested in me by the above Acts and all other powers me thereunto enabling, do hereby revoke the said rules made the 22nd day of August, 1922, and in substitution thereof do make the following Rules :—

From the date of this Order the limits of age of candidates seeking the appointment of Petty Sessions Clerk in Northern Ireland shall be 30 to 50 years, except in the following cases, that is to say :—

(*a*) In the case of a candidate who is already a Petty Sessions Clerk, the limits of age shall be 30 to 55 years.

(*b*) In the case of any candidate who is serving or has served in the Royal Irish Constabulary or the Royal Ulster Constabulary, his services therein having been satisfactory, the limits of age shall be 25 to 55 years.

(*c*) In the case of any person who, at the time of his application, is serving in His Majesty's Naval or Military Forces, or who since the beginning of the late war has been discharged from service in His Majesty's Naval or

Military Forces, his service in such Force having been satisfactory; or in the case of an applicant who has served for over six months in the Ulster Special Constabulary, his service in this Force having been satisfactory, the limits of age shall be 25 to 50 years.

(*d*) In the case of a female candidate the limits of age shall be 25 to 40 years.

Given at Government House at Hillsborough, this Eighth day of December, 1926.

By His Grace's Command.

R. Dawson Bates.

Appointment.

MADE BY THE LORDS JUSTICES OF NORTHERN IRELAND, PURSUANT TO THE PETTY SESSIONS CLERK IRELAND ACT, 1858, 21 & 22 VICT., C. 100 S. 29, AS EXTENDED BY THE PETTY SESSIONS FEES AND ADMINISTRATION ACT (N.I.) 1923 (13 & 14 GEO. 5, N.I. C. 5),

1927. No. 111.

Whereas by Section 2 (1) of the Petty Sessions Fees and Administration Act (Northern Ireland), 1923, (extending the provisions of Sections 29 of the Petty Sessions Clerk (Ireland) Act, 1858), the Governor of Northern Ireland is empowered to make Rules governing the procedure in connection with the appointment of Petty Sessions Clerks by the Justices and the qualifications entitling Justices to take part in any such appointment:

Now We, the Lords Justices of Northern Ireland in pursuance of the powers conferred upon us by the above Acts and all other powers us thereunto enabling do hereby make the following Rules, which shall have effect and come into operation as from the date hereof:—

1. When a vacancy occurs on the office of Petty Sessions Clerk serving one District only, or two or more Districts, the Royal Ulster Constabulary Authorities shall at once notify the Secretary of the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland (hereinafter referred to as the Secretary) of the occurrence of the vacancy.

2. The person appointed as Acting Clerk of Petty Sessions by the Justices of the District or Districts, shall furnish to the Secretary a return setting out the names and addresses of the