



Law Officers Act 1997

1997 CHAPTER 60

2 The Attorney General for Northern Ireland and the Solicitor General.

- (1) Any function of the [^{F1}Advocate General for Northern Ireland] may be exercised by the Solicitor General for England and Wales.
- (2) Anything done by or in relation to the Solicitor General in the exercise of or in connection with a function of the [^{F2}Advocate General] has effect as if done by or in relation to the [^{F2}Advocate General] .
- (3) The validity of anything done in relation to the [^{F2}Advocate General] , or done by or in relation to the Solicitor General, is not affected by a vacancy in the office of [^{F2}Advocate General] .
- (4) Nothing in this section—
 - (a) prevents anything being done by or in relation to the [^{F2}Advocate General] in the exercise of or in connection with any function of his; or
 - (b) requires anything done by the Solicitor General to be done in the name of the Solicitor General instead of the name of the [^{F2}Advocate General] .
- (5) It is immaterial for the purposes of this section whether a function of the [^{F2}Advocate General] arises under an enactment or otherwise.
- (6) In this section [^{F3}“Advocate General” means the Advocate] General for Northern Ireland.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 2(1) substituted (12.4.2010) by [Justice \(Northern Ireland\) Act 2002 \(c. 26\), ss. 27\(2\)\(a\), 87\(1\); S.R. 2010/113, art. 2, Sch. para. 7](#)
- F2** Words in s. 2(2)-(5) substituted (12.4.2010) by [Justice \(Northern Ireland\) Act 2002 \(c. 26\), ss. 27\(2\)\(b\), 87\(1\); S.R. 2010/113, art. 2, Sch. para. 7](#)
- F3** Words in s. 2(6) substituted (12.4.2010) by [Justice \(Northern Ireland\) Act 2002 \(c. 26\), ss. 27\(2\)\(c\), 87\(1\); S.R. 2010/113, art. 2, Sch. para. 7](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Law Officers Act 1997, Section 2.