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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1980 No. 397**

**County Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1980**

**PART II**

**HOLDING OF COUNTY COURTS**

**Directions as to holding of courts**

4. The<sup>F1</sup>Lord Chief Justice] may give directions as to—
- (a) the places at which county courts are to be held;
  - (b) the number of ordinary sittings of county courts which are to be held each year;
  - (c) the ordinary hours of sitting of county courts;
  - <sup>F2</sup>(d) .....
  - (e) the cancellation of any sitting of a county court for which provision has been made under this Order where there is no, or insufficient, business to be transacted at that sitting; and
  - (f) such other incidental, consequential, transitional or supplementary matters as appear to the<sup>F3</sup>Lord Chief Justice] to be necessary or proper.

**F1** Words in art. 4 substituted (3.4.2006) by [Constitutional Reform Act 2005 \(c. 4\)](#), ss. 15(2), 148(1), Sch. 5 para. 51; S.I. 2006/1014, [art. 2\(a\)](#), Sch. 1 para. 12(a)

**F2** Art. 4(d) repealed (31.10.2016) by [Justice Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(c. 9\)](#), s. 106(2), Sch. 1 para. 80(3), [Sch. 9 Pt. 1](#) (with [Sch. 8 para. 1](#)); S.R. 2016/387, [art. 2\(k\)\(m\)](#) (with [art. 3](#))

**F3** Words in art. 4(f) substituted (3.4.2006) by [Constitutional Reform Act 2005 \(c. 4\)](#), ss. 15(2), 148(1), Sch. 5 para. 51; S.I. 2006/1014, [art. 2\(a\)](#), Sch. 1 para. 12(a)

**Changes to legislation:**

County Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1980, Section 4 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 23 August 2023. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- Instrument am (prosp) by [S.I. 1994/2795 \(N.I.\) art.3\(5\)Sch.1](#)