
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1980 No. 397

County Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1980

PART II

HOLDING OF COUNTY COURTS

Adjournments

8.—(1) A judge may adjourn any court held by him.

(2) Where by reason of death or unavoidable absence the judge is not present at any ordinary or other sitting of a court, a circuit registrar or an officer of the court present shall, subject to paragraph (3), open and adjourn, or as the case may be, adjourn the court to such day as he thinks convenient.

(3) An adjournment under paragraph (2) shall not operate to prevent a prescribed officer or circuit registrar from hearing and determining any civil action which he is authorised by any statutory provision or by county court rules to hear and determine.

(4) A judge may adjourn any proceedings for such period as will in his opinion best meet the ends of justice.

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F1 [Art. 8\(5\)-\(8\)](#) repealed (31.10.2016) by [Justice Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(c. 9\)](#), s. 106(2), [Sch. 1 para. 80\(5\)](#), [Sch. 9 Pt. 1](#) (with [Sch. 8 para. 1](#)); [S.R. 2016/387](#), art. 2(k)(m) (with art. 3)

Changes to legislation:

County Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1980, Section 8 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 07 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](#)