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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**1999 No. 225**

**The Social Security Commissioners (Procedure)  
Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999**

**PART II**

**APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE TO APPEAL, APPEALS AND REFERENCES**

**Application to a Commissioner for leave to appeal**

**9.—(1)** An application to a Commissioner for leave to appeal against the decision of an appeal tribunal may be made only where the applicant has sought to obtain leave from the chairman and leave has been refused or the application has been rejected.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), an application to a Commissioner shall be made within one month of notice of the refusal or rejection being sent to the applicant by the appeal tribunal.

(3) A Commissioner may for special reasons accept a late application or an application where the applicant failed to seek leave from the chairman within the specified time, but did so on or before the final date.

(4) In paragraph (3) the final date means the end of a period of 13 months from the date on which the decision of the appeal tribunal or, if later, any separate statement of the reasons for it, was sent to the applicant by the appeal tribunal.