

# Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988

# **1988 CHAPTER 48**

# PART I

## COPYRIGHT

## CHAPTER VIII

#### THE COPYRIGHT TRIBUNAL

#### Jurisdiction and procedure

## 149 Jurisdiction of the Tribunal

The function of the Copyright Tribunal is to hear and determine proceedings under-

- (a) section 118, 119, or 120 (reference of licensing scheme);
- (b) section 121 or 122 (application with respect to entitlement to licence under licensing scheme);
- (c) section 125, 126 or 127 (reference or application with respect to licensing by licensing body);
- (d) section 139 (appeal against order as to coverage of licensing scheme or licence);
- (e) section 142 (application to settle royalty or other sum payable for rental of sound recording, film or computer program);
- (f) section 144(4) (application to settle terms of copyright licence available as of right);
- (g) section 190 (application to give consent for purposes of Part II on behalf of performer);
- (h) paragraph 5 of Schedule 6 (determination of royalty or other remuneration to be paid to trustees for the Hospital for Sick Children).

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

#### 150 General power to make rules

- (1) The Lord Chancellor may, after consultation with the Lord Advocate, make rules for regulating proceedings before the Copyright Tribunal and, subject to the approval of the Treasury, as to the fees chargeable in respect of such proceedings.
- (2) The rules may apply in relation to the Tribunal—
  - (a) as respects proceedings in England and Wales, any of the provisions of the Arbitration Act 1950;
  - (b) as respects proceedings in Northern Ireland, any of the provisions of the Arbitration Act (Northern Ireland) 1937;

and any provisions so applied shall be set out in or scheduled to the rules.

- (3) Provision shall be made by the rules—
  - (a) prohibiting the Tribunal from entertaining a reference under section 118, 119 or 120 by a representative organisation unless the Tribunal is satisfied that the organisation is reasonably representative of the class of persons which it claims to represent;
  - (b) specifying the parties to any proceedings and enabling the Tribunal to make a party to the proceedings any person or organisation satisfying the Tribunal that they have a substantial interest in the matter; and
  - (c) requiring the Tribunal to give the parties to proceedings an opportunity to state their case, in writing or orally as the rules may provide.
- (4) The rules may make provision for regulating or prescribing any matters incidental to or consequential upon any appeal from the Tribunal under section 152 (appeal to the court on point of law).
- (5) Rules under this section shall be made by statutory instrument which shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.

## 151 Costs, proof of orders, &c

- (1) The Copyright Tribunal may order that the costs of a party to proceedings before it shall be paid by such other party as the Tribunal may direct; and the Tribunal may tax or settle the amount of the costs, or direct in what manner they are to be taxed.
- (2) A document purporting to be a copy of an order of the Tribunal and to be certified by the chairman to be a true copy shall, in any proceedings, be sufficient evidence of the order unless the contrary is proved.
- (3) As respect proceedings in Scotland, the Tribunal has the like powers for securing the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents, and with regard to the examination of witnesses on oath, as an arbiter under a submission.