



# Courts and Legal Services Act 1990

## 1990 CHAPTER 41

### PART II

#### LEGAL SERVICES

##### *Miscellaneous*

#### **69 Exemption from liability for damages etc.**

- (1) Neither the [<sup>F1</sup>Secretary of State] nor any of the designated judges shall be liable in damages for anything done or omitted in the discharge or purported discharge of any of their functions under this Part.
- (2) For the purposes of the law of defamation, the publication by the [<sup>F1</sup>Secretary of State], a designated judge or the [<sup>F2</sup>OFT] of any advice or reasons given by or to him [<sup>F3</sup>or it] in the exercise of functions under this Part shall be absolutely privileged.

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1** Words in s. 69 substituted (19.8.2003) by [The Secretary of State for Constitutional Affairs Order 2003 \(S.I. 2003/1887\)](#), art. 9, **Sch. 2 para. 8(1)(c)** (with arts. 6, 8)
- F2** Word in s. 69(2) substituted (1.4.2003) by [2002 c. 40, ss. 278, 279, Sch. 25 para. 23\(6\)\(a\)](#); S.I. 2003/766, **art. 2, Sch.** (with art. 3)
- F3** Word in s. 69(2) inserted (1.4.2003) by [2002 c. 40, ss. 278, 279, Sch. 25 para. 23\(6\)\(b\)](#); S.I. 2003/766, **art. 2, Sch.** (with art. 3)

#### **Commencement Information**

- I1** [S. 69](#) wholly in force at 1.4.1991 see [s. 124\(3\)](#) and S.I. 1991/608, art. 2, **Sch.**

**Status:**

Point in time view as at 19/08/2003. This version of this provision has been superseded.

**Changes to legislation:**

Courts and Legal Services Act 1990, Section 69 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 19 January 2024. 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.