



# Criminal Justice and Court Services Act 2000

## 2000 CHAPTER 43

### PART I

#### THE NEW SERVICES

### CHAPTER II

#### CHILDREN AND FAMILY COURT ADVISORY AND SUPPORT SERVICE

#### **15 Right to conduct litigation and right of audience.**

- (1) The Service may authorise an officer of the Service of a prescribed description—
  - (a) to conduct litigation in relation to any proceedings in any court,
  - (b) to exercise a right of audience in any proceedings before any court,in the exercise of his functions.
- (2) An officer of the Service exercising a right to conduct litigation by virtue of subsection (1)(a) who would otherwise have such a right by virtue of [<sup>F1</sup>the fact that he is a person who, for the purposes of the Legal Services Act 2007, is an authorised person in relation to that activity] is to be treated as having acquired that right solely by virtue of this section.
- (3) An officer of the Service exercising a right of audience by virtue of subsection (1)(b) who would otherwise have such a right by virtue of [<sup>F2</sup>the fact that he is a person who, for the purposes of the Legal Services Act 2007, is an authorised person in relation to that activity] is to be treated as having acquired that right solely by virtue of this section.
- (4) In this section and section 16, “right to conduct litigation” and “right of audience” have the same meanings as in section 119 of the <sup>M1</sup>Courts and Legal Services Act 1990.

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#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1** Words in s. 15(2) substituted (1.1.2010) by [Legal Services Act 2007 \(c. 29\), s. 211\(2\), Sch. 21 para. 133\(a\)](#) (with ss. 29, 192, 193); S.I. 2009/3250, art. 2(h)
- F2** Words in s. 15(3) substituted (1.1.2010) by [Legal Services Act 2007 \(c. 29\), s. 211\(2\), Sch. 21 para. 133\(b\)](#) (with ss. 29, 192, 193); S.I. 2009/3250, art. 2(h)
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#### **Marginal Citations**

- M1** [1990 c. 41.](#)

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 64(1)(a)(aa) substituted for s. 64(1)(a) by [2003 c. 44 s. 266\(2\)](#)
- s. 64(4A) inserted by [2003 c. 44 s. 266\(3\)](#)
- s. 64(5)(f) and word inserted by [2003 c. 44 s. 266\(4\)](#)
- s. 64(5)(f) words inserted by [2006 c. 52 Sch. 16 para. 185\(a\)](#)
- s. 64(5)(f) words inserted by [2012 c. 10 Sch. 21 para. 18](#)
- s. 64(5)(f) words inserted by [2012 c. 10 Sch. 22 para. 19](#)
- s. 64(6) amendment to earlier affecting provision [2003 c. 44 s. 266\(5\)](#) by [S.I. 2008/912 Sch. 1 para. 19\(15\)](#)
- s. 64(6) inserted by [2003 c. 44 s. 266\(5\)](#)
- s. 64(6) words repealed by [2004 c. 31 Sch. 5 Pt. 4](#)
- s. 64(8) words inserted by [2021 c. 11 Sch. 13 para. 38\(5\)](#)
- s. 85(7B) applied (with modifications) by [S.I. 2014/3141 Sch. 3 para. 5\(7\)](#)