



Justice (Northern Ireland) Act 2002

2002 CHAPTER 26

PART 1

THE JUDICIARY

[^{F1}The Ombudsman

^{F1}[^{F2}9B] **Complaints: interpretation**

- (1) This section applies for the purposes of this Part.
- (2) A Commission complaint is a complaint by a qualifying complainant of maladministration by the Commission or a committee of the Commission.
- (3) A departmental complaint is a complaint by a qualifying complainant of maladministration by the Lord Chancellor ^{F3}... in connection with any of the following—
 - (a) recommendation for or appointment to a listed judicial office;
 - (b) ^{F4}
- (4) A qualifying complainant is a complainant who claims to have been adversely affected, as an applicant for selection or as a person selected under this Part [^{F5}or paragraph 2A of Schedule 11 to the Northern Ireland Act 1998], by the maladministration complained of.]]

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 9A and preceding cross-heading inserted (25.9.2006) by [Constitutional Reform Act 2005 \(c. 4\), ss. 124\(2\), 148; S.I. 2006/1537, art. 3\(a\)](#)
- F2** S. 9B inserted (25.9.2006 for certain purposes and otherwise prosp.) by [Constitutional Reform Act 2005 \(c. 4\), ss. 125, 148; S.I. 2006/1537, art. 3\(b\)](#)
- F3** Words in s. 9B(3) omitted (12.4.2010) by virtue of [Northern Ireland Act 2009 \(c. 3\), s. 5\(7\), Sch. 3 para. 8\(2\)](#) (with [Sch. 5 para. 13](#); [S.I. 2010/812, art. 2](#))

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- F4** S. 9B(3)(b) omitted (1.4.2009) by virtue of [The Transfer of Tribunal Functions and Revenue and Customs Appeals Order 2009 \(S.I. 2009/56\)](#), art. 3, [Sch. 1 para. 330](#)
- F5** Words in s. 9B(4) inserted (12.4.2010) by [Northern Ireland Act 2009 \(c. 3\)](#), s. 5(7), [Sch. 3 para. 8\(3\)](#); [S.I. 2010/812](#), art. 2

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

- s. 31(1A) inserted by [2023 c. 41 Sch. 13 para. 5\(2\)](#)
- s. 31(7) inserted by [2023 c. 41 Sch. 13 para. 5\(4\)](#)