## **CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM ACT 2005**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

Part 3 Duty to Convene Commission: Special Rules

Staff and resources

Section 48: Chief Executive

185. Subsection (1) establishes the office of Chief Executive, to be appointed under subsection (2) by the Lord Chancellor after consulting the President of the Court. In accordance with subsection (3) the Chief Executive will be responsible for all the non-judicial functions of the Court and any function of appointing officers and staff under section 49(1) that is delegated to him by the President of the Supreme Court. The President is expected to delegate all his functions under section 49(1), so this means that in effect the Chief Executive will appoint staff for the Supreme Court. Under subsection (4), the Chief Executive will carry out his functions in accordance with any directions given by the President.