SOLICITORS ADMISSION AND TRAINING (QUALIFICATION OF MASTERS) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 1992

The Council of the Law Society of Northern Ireland in exercise of the power conferred on it by Article 6 and 74(l) of the Solicitors (Northern Ireland) Order 1976 as amended by the Solicitors (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1989 and all other powers enabling it in that behalf and with the concurrence of the Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland hereby makes the following Regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Solicitors Admission and Training (Qualification of Masters) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 and shall come into force on the 1st day of January 1993.

2. For Regulation 3 of the Solicitors Admission and Training (Qualification of Masters) Regulations 1988 there shall be substituted the following Regulation.

3. No solicitor shall be regarded as acceptable for the purpose of Regulation 7(iii) of the Principal Regulations unless he shall have

   (a) (i) practised as a solicitor for at least 7 years immediately preceding the date of the Petition in relation to which the Committee's decision is to be made; and

   (ii) practised in private general practice as a partner or sole practitioner for at least 3 years immediately preceding such date; or

   (b) practised as a solicitor in public service for at least 10 years immediately preceding such date; and

   (c) in either case satisfy the Committee that his practice or the public service department in which he practices provides satisfactory opportunities for the adequate training of a registered student.