

ADOPTION OF CHILDREN ORDINANCE AND COURT OF
PETTY SESSIONS ORDINANCE—

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COURT OF PETTY SESSIONS ORDINANCE.

ADOPTION OF CHILDREN RULES.*

REGULATIONS 1961. No. 5.†

1. Rule 17 of the Adoption of Children Rules is repealed and the following rule inserted in its stead:—

Solicitors'
costs.

“17.—(1.) A solicitor acting for an applicant for an adoption order shall be entitled to charge—

(a) an amount not exceeding—

- (i) Eighteen pounds eighteen shillings; or
- (ii) where the Court has fixed an amount under sub-rule (3.) of this rule—that amount,

as his costs of the application; and

(b) an amount equal to the amount of his disbursements relating to the application.

“(2.) An amount charged under paragraph (a) of the last preceding sub-rule includes the costs of any necessary briefs on the application.

“(3.) Where a solicitor acting for an applicant for an adoption order satisfies the Court that his work relating to the application is of exceptional length or difficulty, the Court may fix such amount (being an amount exceeding Eighteen pounds eighteen shillings) as the Court deems proper as the solicitor's costs of the application.”

Second
Schedule.

2. The Second Schedule to the Adoption of Children Rules is repealed.

Application of
amendments.

3. The Adoption of Children Rules, as amended by these Rules, apply in relation to the solicitors' costs of applications for adoption commenced on and after the date on which these Rules take effect and, notwithstanding the amendments made by these Rules, the Adoption of Children Rules, as in force immediately before that date, continue to apply in relation to the solicitors' costs of applications for adoption that have not been completed before that date.

* Rules notified in the *Commonwealth Gazette* on 31st March, 1938, as amended by the *Seat of Government (Designation) Ordinance* 1938 and by *Regulations* 1952, No. 4.

† Made under the *Adoption of Children Ordinance* 1938-1949 and the *Court of Petty Sessions Ordinance* 1930-1961 on 19th April, 1961; notified in the *Commonwealth Gazette* and commenced on 18th May, 1961.