

Reference to the Supreme Court by Law Officers

1. Details of the law officer making the reference

Full name

Position – e.g. Attorney General for England and Wales

Solicitor's name

Solicitor's firm

Solicitor's address

Solicitor's email

Solicitor's telephone number

Solicitor's reference

Counsel's name

Chambers

Counsel's address

Counsel's email

Counsel's telephone number

2. Basis of reference

- Scrutiny of a Bill of a devolved legislature (legislative competence)**

- Scrutiny of a Bill of a devolved legislature (protected subject-matter)**

- Direct reference of a devolution issue**

- Direct reference of a compatibility question**

- Reference on assimilated case law of the Court**

3. References under section 6B of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018: description of the concluded proceedings

Please only complete this section if you are making a reference of retained/assimilated case law under section 6B of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018.

Name(s) of court(s)

Name(s) of judge(s)

Neutral citation number(s) of the judgment(s) in the proceedings

Date of final judgment

Date of final order

Was there an appeal from this order?

Yes

No

If yes, please provide details

If no, please specify the last date on which an appeal could have been made

4. Please attach the following information on one or more separate sheets;

- **The question, issue or point of law to be determined by the Court. Where the reference includes more than one question, issue or point of law, this should be clearly identified;**
- **The statutory provision under which the reference is made to the Court;**
- **The factual background to the reference;**

If you are referring a Bill passed by a devolved legislature for scrutiny by the Court (whether on the basis of legislative competence or protected subject-matter), please also include the following information:

- **The long and short title of the Bill to which the reference relates;**
- **A copy of the Bill;**
- **Whether the reference concerns the entire Bill or only certain provisions, and if so which provisions;**
- **If the reference concerns the question of whether the Bill or any provision of the Bill relates to protected subject-matter, a copy of the Presiding Officer's decision on that question.**

If the reference is made under section 6B of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018, please also include the following information:

- **A description of the relevance of the point(s) of law to the concluded proceedings;**
- **The neutral citation number(s) of the relevant retained/assimilated case law;**
- **Confirmation that the conditions in section 6B(1) of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 are met and that the reference is made within the period specified in section 6B(3) of that Act;**
- **If the reference is made by the Lord Advocate, the Counsel General for Wales or the Attorney General for Northern Ireland, confirmation that each point of law relates to the meaning or effect of relevant Scotland legislation, relevant Wales legislation or relevant Northern Ireland legislation (as defined by section 6B(8) of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018).**

5. Further Information

Are you seeking a declaration of incompatibility or does the reference raise other issues under the Human Rights Act 1998?

If yes, please give details

Details are attached/continued on a separate sheet(s) Yes No

Will you seek a declaration or declarator that a Bill or Act of a devolved legislature is outside of its legislative competence? Yes No

If yes, please give details

Details are attached/continued on a separate sheet(s) Yes No

Are you asking the Court to depart from one of its own decisions or from one made by the House of Lords? Yes No

If yes, please give details

Details are attached/continued on a separate sheet(s) Yes No

Are you requesting an expedited hearing? Yes No

If yes, please give details

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