

Criminal Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 1945

1945 CHAPTER 15

PART IV

SUPPLEMENTAL

44 Saving for pending proceedings.

Nothing in this Act shall affect any proceedings taken or had in any court before the commencement of this Act, and any such proceedings may be continued as if this Act had not been passed.

45 Interpretation.

- (1) In this Act unless the contrary intention appears the following expressions have the meanings hereby assigned to them, that is to say:—
 - "Act of 1851 F1" has the meaning assigned to it by section two of this Act;
 - "Act of 1935 F2" has the meaning assigned to it by section two of this Act;
 - "capital offence" means an offence for which the punishment imposed might, apart from this Act, be death;
 - "court of summary jurisdiction" includes a resident magistrate or justice of the peace sitting out of petty sessions to hear or determine any matter he has power so to hear or determine or conducting the preliminary [F3 inquiry into] an indictable offence.
 - "magistrate" means any person who acts as a member of a court of summary jurisdiction;
 - Definition rep. by SLR 1980
 - "resident magistrate" means a resident magistrate within the meaning of the Act of 1935^{F4};
 - Definition rep. by SLR 1980

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(2) In this Act and in the Act of 1935 the expression "constable" shall be construed as including a head-constable and a sergeant.

Subs.(3)(4) rep. by 1954 c.33 (NI)

- **F1** 1851 (c.93)
- **F2** 1935 (c.13)
- F3 Words in s. 45(1) substituted (17.10.2022) by Criminal Justice (Committal Reform) Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 (c. 4), s. 5(2), Sch. para. 1; S.R. 2022/221, art. 2(d)
- **F4** 1964 c.21 (NI)
- **F5** SRO (NI) 1970/111

S.46 rep. by SLR (NI) 1952

47 Short title and citation.

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Criminal Justice Act (Northern Ireland), 1945.
- (2) Sections two to eighteen, sections twenty to twenty-three, ... F6 of this Act shall be included among the enactments which may be cited together as the Summary Jurisdiction Acts (Northern Ireland).

Subs.(3) rep. by SLR (NI) 1952

F6 SLR 1976

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