

Proceeds of Crime Act 2002

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PART 12

MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

Miscellaneous

449 Agency staff: pseudonyms

- (1) This section applies to a member of the staff of the Agency if—
 - (a) he is authorised (generally or specifically) by the Director to do anything for the purposes of this Act, and
 - (b) it is necessary or expedient for the purpose of doing the thing for the member of the staff of the Agency to identify himself by name.
- (2) The Director may direct that such a member of the staff of the Agency may for that purpose identify himself by means of a pseudonym.
- (3) For the purposes of any proceedings or application under this Act a certificate signed by the Director which sufficiently identifies the member of the staff of the Agency by reference to the pseudonym is conclusive evidence that that member of the staff of the Agency is authorised to use the pseudonym.
- (4) In any proceedings or application under this Act a member of the staff of the Agency in respect of whom a direction under this section is in force must not be asked (and if asked is not required to answer) any question which is likely to reveal his true identity.
- (5) Section 1(6) does not apply to anything done by the Director under this section.