



Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954

1954 CHAPTER 33

MEANING OF PARTICULAR WORDS AND PHRASES

42 Definitions for judicial purposes. **N.I.**

(1) In an enactment the expression—

“^{F1}Court of Judicature]” shall mean the [^{F1}Court of Judicature] of Northern Ireland;

“Court of Appeal” or “High Court of Appeal” shall mean Her Majesty's Court of Appeal in Northern Ireland;

“High Court” shall mean Her Majesty's High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland;

“Court of Criminal Appeal” shall mean the Court of Criminal Appeal in Northern Ireland ^{F2}...;

“court of assize” shall mean a court of assize, a court of oyer and terminer and a court of gaol delivery or any of them and shall include a court held in and for the county of the City of Belfast by virtue of a commission of oyer and terminer or general gaol delivery;

[^{F3}“Lands Tribunal” shall mean the Lands Tribunal for Northern Ireland;]

[^{F4}“Crown Court” shall mean Her Majesty's Crown Court in Northern Ireland;

“county court” shall mean a county court held ^{F5}... under the County Courts [^{F6}(Northern Ireland) Order 1980]^{M1};

^{F7}...

[^{F8}“court of summary jurisdiction” or “magistrates' court” shall have the meaning assigned to it by Article 2(2) of the Magistrates' Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1981].

^{F9}(2)

(3) In an enactment the expression—

“Lord Chief Justice” shall mean the Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland;

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“Chancery Judge” shall mean the Judge of the High Court to whom the business and matters arising in the chancery jurisdiction of that court are for the time being assigned;

“county court judge” shall include ^{F7}... a recorder ^{F7}...; and

[^{F4}“Probate Judge” shall mean the Judge of the High Court to whom probate business and matters are for the time being assigned.]

(4) In an enactment the expression—

“appeal summarily” shall mean appeal, in accordance [^{F8}with magistrates' courts rules], to a court of summary jurisdiction;

Definition rep. by 1975 NI 7; 1978 c. 23

“committed for trial” shall mean committed by a court, judge, resident magistrate, ^{F10}... ^{F11}... or other authority having power to commit a person in custody with a view to his trial, and shall include committed on bail upon a recognizance to appear and stand trial before a judge and jury;

[^{F12}“standard scale” means the standard scale provided by Article 5 of the Fines and Penalties (Northern Ireland) Order 1984;

“statutory maximum” means the prescribed sum within the meaning of Article 4 of the Fines and Penalties (Northern Ireland) Order 1984.]

“Summary Jurisdiction Acts” shall mean the statutory provisions for the time being in force in Northern Ireland in relation to summary jurisdiction;

“summary conviction” shall mean conviction subject to and in accordance with the Summary Jurisdiction Acts.

[^{F13}(5) In an enactment the expression “industrial tribunal” means a tribunal established under Article 3 of the Industrial Tribunals (Northern Ireland) Order 1996.]

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| F1 | Words in s. 42(1) substituted (1.10.2009) by Constitutional Reform Act 2005 (c. 4), ss. 59(5), 148(1), Sch. 11 para. 6; S.I. 2009/1604, art. 2(d) |
| F2 | 1968 c. 21 |
| F3 | 1971 c. 23 (NI) |
| F4 | 1978 c. 23 |
| F5 | Words in s. 42(1) repealed (31.10.2016) by Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 (c. 9), s. 106(2), Sch. 1 para. 48(2), Sch. 9 Pt. 1 (with Sch. 8 para. 1); S.R. 2016/387, art. 2(k)(m) (with art. 3) |
| F6 | 1980 NI 3 |
| F7 | 1978 c. 23 |
| F8 | 1981 NI 26 |
| F9 | S. 42(2) repealed (31.10.2016) by Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 (c. 9), s. 106(2), Sch. 1 para. 48(3), Sch. 9 Pt. 1 (with Sch. 8 para. 1); S.R. 2016/387, art. 2(k)(m) (with art. 3) |
| F10 | SLR 1973 |
| F11 | 2002 c.26 |
| F12 | 1994 NI 15 |
| F13 | 1996 NI 18 |

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