

# Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984

### **1984 CHAPTER 60**

#### PART VIII

EVIDENCE IN CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS—GENERAL

Part VIII—supplementary

### 82 Part VIII—interpretation.

(1) In this Part of this Act—

"confession", includes any statement wholly or partly adverse to the person who made it, whether made to a person in authority or not and whether made in words or otherwise;

"court-martial" means a court-martial constituted under the MI Army Act 1955, the M2 Air Force Act 1955 or the M3 Naval Discipline Act 1957 or a disciplinary court constituted under section 50 of the said Act of 1957;

"proceedings" means criminal proceedings, including—

- (a) proceedings in the United Kingdom or elsewhere before a court-martial constituted under the Army Act 1955 or the Air Force Act 1955;
- (b) proceedings in the United Kingdom or elsewhere before the Courts-Martial Appeal Court—
  - (i) on an appeal from a court-martial so constituted or from a court-martial constituted under the M4Naval Discipline Act 1957; or
  - (ii) on a reference under section 34 of the M5 Courts-Martial (Appeals) Act 1968; and
- (b) proceedings before a Standing Civilian Court; and

"Service court" means a court-martial or a Standing Civilian Court.

- (2) In this Part of this Act references to conviction before a Service court are references—
  - (a) as regards a court-martial constituted under the <sup>M6</sup>Army Act 1955 or the <sup>M7</sup>Air Force Act 1955, to a finding of guilty which is, or falls to be treated as, a finding of the court duly confirmed;

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- (b) as regards—
  - (i) a court-martial; or
  - (ii) a disciplinary court,

constituted under the Naval Discipline Act 1957, to a finding of guilty which is, or falls to be treated as, the finding of the court;

and "convicted" shall be construed accordingly.

(3) Nothing in this Part of this Act shall prejudice any power of a court to exclude evidence (whether by preventing questions from being put or otherwise) at its discretion.

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Marginal Citations
M1 1955 c. 18.
M2 1955 c. 19.
M3 1957 c. 53.
M4 1957 c. 53.
M5 1968 c. 20.
M6 1955 c. 18.
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