

# Criminal Appeal Act 1968

# **1968 CHAPTER 19**

## PART I

### APPEAL TO COURT OF APPEAL IN CRIMINAL CASES

[<sup>F1</sup>Appeals following references by the CCRC

#### **Textual Amendments**

F1 S. 16C and cross-heading inserted (14.7.2008) by Criminal Justice and Immigration Act 2008 (c. 4),
ss. 42, 153(7) (with Sch. 27 para. 14); S.I. 2008/1586, art. 2(1), Sch. 1 para. 21

#### 16C Power to dismiss certain appeals following references by the CCRC

- (1) This section applies where there is an appeal under this Part following a reference by the Criminal Cases Review Commission under section 9(1)(a), (5) or (6) of the Criminal Appeal Act 1995 or section 1(1) of the Criminal Cases Review (Insanity) Act 1999.
- (2) Notwithstanding anything in section 2, 13 or 16 of this Act, the Court of Appeal may dismiss the appeal if—
  - (a) the only ground for allowing it would be that there has been a development in the law since the date of the conviction, verdict or finding that is the subject of the appeal, and
  - (b) the condition in subsection (3) is met.
- (3) The condition in this subsection is that if—
  - (a) the reference had not been made, but
  - (b) the appellant had made (and had been entitled to make) an application for an extension of time within which to seek leave to appeal on the ground of the development in the law,

the Court would not think it appropriate to grant the application by exercising the power conferred by section 18(3).]

## Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Criminal Appeal Act 1968, Cross Heading: Appeals following references by the CCRC.