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# County Courts Act 1984

# **1984 CHAPTER 28**

#### PART I

#### CONSTITUTION AND ADMINISTRATION

Miscellaneous provisions as to officers

# Officers of court not to act as [F1]legal representatives]in that court.

- (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, no officer of a court shall, either by himself or his partner, be directly or indirectly engaged as [FI]legal representative]or agent for any party in any proceedings in that court.
- (2) Every person who contravenes this section shall for each offence be liable on summary conviction to a fine of an amount not exceeding level 3 on the standard scale.
- (3) Subsection (1) does not apply to a person acting as registrar by virtue of section 6(5).
- (4) Subsection (1) does not apply to a deputy registrar; but a deputy registrar shall not act as such in relation to any proceedings in which he is, either by himself or his partner, directly or indirectly engaged as [F1]legal representative]or agent for any party.

#### **Textual Amendments**

Words in s. 13(1)(4) substituted (1.4.1991) by Courts and Legal Services Act 1990 (c. 41, SIF 37), s. 125(3), Sch. 18 para. 49(2); S.I. 1991/608, art. 2, Sch.

# **Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

C1 S. 13(1)(2) amended (1.1.1992) by S.I. 1991/2684, arts. 2(2), 4, Sch.2

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## 14 Penalty for assaulting officers.

- (1) If any person assaults an officer of a court while in the execution of his duty, he shall be liable—
  - (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months or to a fine of an amount not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale, or both; or
  - (b) on an order made by the judge in that behalf, to be committed for a specified period not exceeding 3 months to . . . F2prison . . . F2or to such a fine as aforesaid, or to be so committed and to such a fine,

and a bailiff of the court may take the offender into custody, with or without warrant, and bring him before the judge.

- (2) The judge may at any time revoke an order committing a person to prison under this section and, if he is already in custody, order his discharge.
- [F3(3) A district judge, assistant district judge or deputy district judge shall have the same powers under this section as a judge.]

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F2 Words repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1986 (c. 12), s. 1(1), Sch. 1 Pt. I
- F3 S. 14(3) inserted (1.7.1991) by Courts and Legal Services Act 1990 (c. 41, SIF 37), s. 74(4); S.I. 1991/1364, art. 2,Sch.

## **Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

C2 S. 14 restricted (1.9.1993) by S.I. 1993/2073, art.4(2).

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