



# Child Abduction and Custody Act 1985

## 1985 CHAPTER 60

### PART II

#### RECOGNITION AND ENFORCEMENT OF CUSTODY DECISIONS

#### **22 Proof of documents and evidence.**

- (1) In any proceedings under this Part of this Act a decision of an authority outside the United Kingdom may be proved by a duly authenticated copy of the decision; and any document purporting to be such a copy shall be deemed to be a true copy unless the contrary is shown.
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1) above a copy is duly authenticated if it bears the seal, or is signed by a judge or officer, of the authority in question.
- (3) In any proceedings under this Part of this Act any such document as is mentioned in Article 13 of the Convention, or a certified copy of any such document, shall be sufficient evidence of anything stated in it.

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

- C1** [S. 22](#) applied (with modifications) (1.3.1997) by [S.I. 1996/3156, art. 2, Sch.](#)  
[S. 22](#) applied (with modifications) (2.12.1997) by [S.I. 1997/2574 art. 2, Sch.](#)

**Status:**

Point in time view as at 01/02/1991.

**Changes to legislation:**

Child Abduction and Custody Act 1985, Section 22 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 31 July 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.