



# Legal Aid Act 1988

## 1988 CHAPTER 34

### PART VI

#### LEGAL AID IN SPECIAL CASES

##### *Contempt proceedings*

#### **29 Representation in contempt proceedings.**

- (1) This section applies to any proceedings where a person is liable to be committed or fined—
  - (a) by a magistrates' court under section 12 of the <sup>M1</sup>Contempt of Court Act 1981;
  - (b) by a county court under section 14, 92 or 118 of the <sup>M2</sup>County Courts Act 1984;
  - (c) by any superior court for contempt in the face of that or any other court;and in this Act “proceedings for contempt ” means so much of any proceedings as relates to dealing with a person as mentioned in paragraph (a), (b) or (c) above.
- (2) In any proceedings for contempt against a person the court may order that he be granted representation under this section for the purposes of the proceedings if it appears to the court to be desirable to do so in the interests of justice.
- (3) In this section, “superior court ” means the Court of Appeal, the High Court, the Crown Court, the Courts-Martial Appeal Court, the Restrictive Practices Court, the Employment Appeal Tribunal and any other court exercising in relation to its proceedings powers equivalent to those of the High Court, and includes the House of Lords in the exercise of its jurisdiction in relation to appeals from courts in England and Wales.

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#### **Commencement Information**

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