

# Criminal Appeal Act 1995

# **CHAPTER 35**

# CRIMINAL APPEAL ACT 1995

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#### The Commission

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- 1 Her Majesty shall, on the recommendation of the Prime Minister,...
- 2 (1) Subject to the following provisions of this paragraph, a...

#### Members and employees

- 3 (1) The Commission shall— (a) pay to members of the...
- 4 (1) The Commission may appoint a chief executive and such...

5 The Commission shall pay to the Minister for the Civil...

#### Procedure

6 (1) The arrangements for the procedure of the Commission (including...

#### Evidence

7 A document purporting to be— (a) duly executed under the...

#### Annual reports and accounts

- 8 (1) As soon as possible after the end of each...
- 9 (1) The Commission shall— (a) keep proper accounts and proper...
- 10 For the purposes of this Schedule the Commission's financial year...

#### Expenses

11 The Secretary of State shall defray the expenses of the...

SCHEDULE 2 — Minor and consequential amendments

The Army Act 1955 (c.18)

1 .....

The Air Force Act 1955 (c.19)

2 .....

The Public Records Act 1958 (c.51)

3 In the First Schedule to the Public Records Act 1958...

The Criminal Appeal Act 1968 (c.19)

4 (1) The Criminal Appeal Act 1968 shall be amended as...

The Courts-Martial (Appeals) Act 1968 (c.20)

5 (1) The Courts-Martial (Appeals) Act 1968 shall be amended as...

The Costs in Criminal Cases Act (Northern Ireland) 1968 (c.10 (N.I.))

6 In section 4 of the Costs in Criminal Cases Act...

The Superannuation Act 1972 (c.11)

7 In Schedule 1 to the Superannuation Act 1972 (kinds of...

The Juries Act 1974 (c.23)

8 In Part I of Schedule 1 to the Juries Act...

The Juries (Northern Ireland) Order 1974 (S.I. 1974/2143 (N.I.6))

9 In Schedule 2 to the Juries (Northern Ireland) Order 1974...

	The House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975 (c.24)
10	In the House of Commons Disqualification Act 1975, in Part
	The Northern Ireland Assembly Disqualification Act 1975 (c.25)
11	In the Northern Ireland Assembly Disqualification Act 1975, in Part
	The Criminal Appeal (Northern Ireland) Act 1980 (c.47)
12	(1) The Criminal Appeal (Northern Ireland) Act 1980 shall be
	The County Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1980 (S.I. 1980/397 (N.I.3))
13	In Article 28(3) of the County Courts (Northern Ireland) Order
	The Supreme Court Act 1981 (c.54)
14	In section 48 of the Supreme Court Act 1981 (appeals
	The Prosecution of Offences Act 1985 (c.23)
15	In section 21(1) of the Prosecution of Offences Act 1985
	The Criminal Justice Act 1988 (c.33)
16	(1) The Criminal Justice Act 1988 shall be amended as
	The Legal Aid Act 1988 (c.34)
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The Poli	ce and Criminal Evidence (Northern Ireland) Order 1989 (S.I. 1989/1341 (N.I.12))
18	(1) The Police and Criminal Evidence (Northern Ireland) Order 1989
	The Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (c.33)
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19 In section 51 of the Criminal Justice and Public Order...

SCHEDULE 3 — Repeals

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#### **Changes to legislation:**

Criminal Appeal Act 1995 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 23 August 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.