



Defamation Act 2013

CHAPTER 26

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Requirement of serious harm

- 1 Serious harm

Defences

- 2 Truth
- 3 Honest opinion
- 4 Publication on matter of public interest
- 5 Operators of websites
- 6 Peer-reviewed statement in scientific or academic journal etc
- 7 Reports etc protected by privilege

Single publication rule

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Jurisdiction

- 9 Action against a person not domiciled in the UK or a Member State etc
- 10 Action against a person who was not the author, editor etc

Trial by jury

- 11 Trial to be without a jury unless the court orders otherwise

Summary of court judgment

- 12 Power of court to order a summary of its judgment to be published

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

Removal, etc of statements

- 13 Order to remove statement or cease distribution etc

Slander

- 14 Special damage

General provisions

- 15 Meaning of “publish” and “statement”
16 Consequential amendments and savings etc
17 Short title, extent and commencement