

Summary Jurisdiction (Process) Act 1881

1881 CHAPTER 24

8 Definitions.

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,-

The expression " process " includes any summons or warrant of citation to appear either to answer any information or complaint, or as a witness; also any warrant of commitment, any warrant of imprisonment, any warrant of distress, any warrant of poinding and sale, also any order or minute of a court of summary jurisdiction or copy of such order or minute, also an extract decree, and any other document or process, other than a warrant of arrestment, required for any purpose connected with a court of summary jurisdiction to be served or executed.

The expression "Summary Jurisdiction Acts " as regards England has the same meaning as in the Summary Jurisdiction Act, 1879, and as regards Scotland, means the Summary Procedure Act, 1864, and any Act, past or future, amending that Act.

The expression " sheriff " shall include sheriff substitute.

The expression " court of summary jurisdiction " means any justice of the peace, also any officer or other magistrate having the authority in England or Scotland of a justice of the peace, also in Scotland the sheriff.

The expression " officer of a court of summary jurisdiction " means the constable, officer, or person to whom any process issued by the court is directed, or who is by law required or authorised to serve or execute any process issued by the court.