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PART 10 CRIMINAL JUSTICE CHAPTER 6

UNFITNESS TO BE TRIED ETC

Procedure during trial on indictment

Procedure in relation to finding of insanity

206.—(1) This section applies where, on the trial on indictment of any person charged with the commission of an offence—

- (a) the required medical evidence is given that the person charged was an insane person at the time the offence was committed; and
- (b) the jury finds that although the person charged did the act or made the omission charged, he or she was an insane person at that time.

(2) The court must direct a finding to be recorded to the effect that the person is not guilty of the offence charged on the ground of insanity.

(3) In this section—

"insane person" and "insanity" have the meanings given by section 1 of the Criminal Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 1966;

"the required medical evidence" means the written or oral evidence of at least two medical practitioners, including the oral evidence of an approved medical practitioner.