



# Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1971

## 1971 CHAPTER 58

### PART IV

#### MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL

#### 45 Interpretation

- (1) In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears—
  - (a) references to a sheriff principal include references to a temporary sheriff principal, and references to the office of sheriff principal include references to an appointment as a temporary sheriff principal;
  - (b) references to a sheriff include references to a temporary sheriff and an honorary sheriff, and references to the office of sheriff include references to an appointment as a temporary sheriff and to the office of honorary sheriff;
  - (c) references to an honorary sheriff are references to a person holding the office of honorary sheriff in his capacity as such.
- (2) In this Act—
  - (a) "enactment" includes an order, regulation, rule or other instrument having effect by virtue of an Act;
  - (b) any reference to any enactment shall, unless the contrary intention appears, be construed as a reference to that enactment as amended or extended, and as including a reference thereto as applied, by or under any other enactment (including this Act).
- (3) Subject to the foregoing provisions of this section and to any other express provision of this Act, expressions used in this Act and in the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1907 shall have the same meanings in this Act as in that Act.