



Presumption of Death (Scotland) Act 1977

1977 CHAPTER 27

17 Interpretation

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,

" action of declarator " has the meaning assigned to it by section 1 of this Act;

" any person having an interest " includes the Lord Advocate for the public interest;

" the court " means the Court of Session or the sheriff;

" insurer " includes a society registered under the Acts relating to friendly and industrial and provident societies and any person or body which provides for the payment of benefits on the death of another person;

" missing person " has the meaning assigned to it by section 1(1) of this Act;

" statutory tribunal " means a tribunal established by or under any enactment;

" trust " means—

(a) any trust or executry for the administration of property which comes into operation as a result of a decree under section 2 of this Act, or

(b) any trust under which property devolves upon or is transmitted to any person by reason of the death of the missing person;

and "trustee" means the trustee, executor, judicial factor or other person administering any such property ;

" variation order " has the meaning assigned to it by section 4(1) of this Act.