

Administration of Justice Act 1977

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PART II

ENGLAND AND WALES

Circuit judges and county courts

15 Limits on Admiralty and probate jurisdiction of county courts

- (1) In section 56(2) of the County Courts Act 1959 (which limits a county court's jurisdiction in Admiralty matters)—
 - (a) for "one thousand pounds" there shall be substituted "£5,000", and
 - (b) for "three thousand five hundred pounds" there shall be substituted "£15,000".
- (2) In section 60 of that Act (costs of certain Admiralty proceedings)—
 - (a) subsection (2) shall cease to have effect;
 - (b) in subsection (3)—
 - (i) after the word "ship", in the first place where it occurs, there shall be inserted the words "or any claim for salvage services, ", and
 - (ii) for "£100" there shall be substituted "£350";
 - (c) in subsection (4), for " one thousand pounds" there shall be substituted " $\pounds 5,000$ "; and
 - (d) in subsection (5), for "(2) to" there shall be substituted œ(3) and ".
- (3) In section 62(1) of that Act (jurisdiction of county courts in probate matters), for "one thousand pounds " there shall be substituted "£15,000 ".
- (4) In section 192(2)(a) of that Act (financial limits which may be raised by Order in Council), for "60(3)" there shall be substituted "56(2), 60, 62(1), ".