



Criminal Appeal Act 1995

1995 CHAPTER 35

PART II

THE CRIMINAL CASES REVIEW COMMISSION

The Commission

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- (1) There shall be a body corporate to be known as the Criminal Cases Review Commission.
- (2) The Commission shall not be regarded as the servant or agent of the Crown or as enjoying any status, immunity or privilege of the Crown; and the Commission's property shall not be regarded as property of, or held on behalf of, the Crown.
- (3) The Commission shall consist of not fewer than eleven members.
- (4) The members of the Commission shall be appointed by Her Majesty on the recommendation of the Prime Minister.
- (5) At least one third of the members of the Commission shall be persons who are legally qualified; and for this purpose a person is legally qualified if—
 - (a) he has a ten year general qualification, within the meaning of section 71 of the ^{M1}Courts and Legal Services Act 1990, or
 - (b) he is a member of the Bar of Northern Ireland, or [^{F1}solicitor of the Court of Judicature of Northern Ireland], of at least ten years' standing.
- (6) At least two thirds of the members of the Commission shall be persons who appear to the Prime Minister to have knowledge or experience of any aspect of the criminal justice system and of them at least one shall be a person who appears to him to have knowledge or experience of any aspect of the criminal justice system in Northern Ireland; and for the purposes of this subsection the criminal justice system includes, in particular, the investigation of offences and the treatment of offenders.

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(7) Schedule 1 (further provisions with respect to the Commission) shall have effect.

Textual Amendments

F1 Words in Act substituted (1.10.2009) by [Constitutional Reform Act 2005 \(c. 4\), s. 148\(1\), Sch. 11 para. 5](#); [S.I. 2009/1604, art. 2\(d\)](#)

Commencement Information

II S. 8 wholly in force at 1.1.1997; S. 8 not in force at Royal Assent see s. 32(1); S. 8 in force for certain purposes at 12.12.1996 by [S.I. 1996/3041, art. 2](#); s. 8 in force at 1.1.1997 insofar as not already in force by [S.I. 1996/3149, art. 3](#)

Marginal Citations

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