



Civil Evidence Act 1995

1995 CHAPTER 38

General

13 Interpretation.

In this Act—

“civil proceedings” has the meaning given by section 11 and “court” and “rules of court” shall be construed in accordance with that section;

“document” means anything in which information of any description is recorded, and “copy”, in relation to a document, means anything onto which information recorded in the document has been copied, by whatever means and whether directly or indirectly;

“hearsay” shall be construed in accordance with section 1(2);

“oral evidence” includes evidence which, by reason of a defect of speech or hearing, a person called as a witness gives in writing or by signs;

“the original statement”, in relation to hearsay evidence, means the underlying statement (if any) by—

- (a) in the case of evidence of fact, a person having personal knowledge of that fact, or
 - (b) in the case of evidence of opinion, the person whose opinion it is; and
- “statement” means any representation of fact or opinion, however made.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Civil Evidence Act 1995, Section 13.