



Criminal Finances Act 2017

2017 CHAPTER 22

PART 1

PROCEEDS OF CRIME

CHAPTER 5

MISCELLANEOUS

Other miscellaneous provisions

31 Accredited financial investigators

- (1) The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 47G (appropriate approval for exercise of search and seizure powers in England and Wales), in subsection (3), after paragraph (b) insert—
 - “(ba) in relation to the exercise of a power by an accredited financial investigator who is—
 - (i) a member of the civilian staff of a police force in England and Wales (including the metropolitan police force), within the meaning of Part 1 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011, or
 - (ii) a member of staff of the City of London police force, a senior police officer.”.
- (3) In section 195G (appropriate approval for exercise of search and seizure powers in Northern Ireland), in subsection (3), after paragraph (b) insert—
 - “(ba) in relation to the exercise of a power by an accredited financial investigator who is a member of staff of the Police Service of Northern Ireland, a senior police officer.”.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Criminal Finances Act 2017, Section 31. (See end of Document for details)

(4) In section 290 (prior approval for exercise of search powers in relation to cash), in subsection (4), after paragraph (b) insert—

“(ba) in relation to the exercise of a power by an accredited financial investigator who is—

(i) a member of the civilian staff of a police force in England and Wales (including the metropolitan police force), within the meaning of Part 1 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011,

(ii) a member of staff of the City of London police force, or

(iii) a member of staff of the Police Service of Northern Ireland, a senior police officer.”.

Commencement Information

I1 S. 31 in force at Royal Assent for specified purposes, see s. 58

I2 S. 31(1) in force at 31.1.2018 for specified purposes for E.W.S. by S.I. 2018/78, **reg. 3(m)**

I3 S. 31(1) in force at 28.6.2021 for specified purposes for N.I. by S.I. 2021/724, **reg. 2(1)(n)**

I4 S. 31(2)(4) in force at 31.1.2018 for E.W.S. in so far as not already in force by S.I. 2018/78, **reg. 3(n)**

I5 S. 31(3) in force at 28.6.2021 in so far as not already in force by S.R. 2021/167, **reg. 2(b)**

I6 S. 31(4) in force at 28.6.2021 for N.I. in so far as not already in force by S.I. 2021/724, **reg. 2(1)(o)**

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Criminal Finances Act 2017, Section 31.