



Criminal Justice Act 1925

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PART III **E+W**

AMENDMENTS AS TO OFFENCES

41 Prohibition on taking photographs, &c., in court. **E+W**

(1) No person shall—

- (a) take or attempt to take in any court any photograph, or with a view to publication make or attempt to make in any court any portrait or sketch, of any person, being a judge of the court or a juror or a witness in or a party to any proceedings before the court, whether civil or criminal; or
- (b) publish any photograph, portrait or sketch taken or made in contravention of the foregoing provisions of this section or any reproduction thereof;

and if any person acts in contravention of this section he shall, on summary conviction, be liable in respect of each offence to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds.

(2) For the purposes of this section—

- (a) the expression “court” means any court of justice, including the court of a coroner;
- (b) the expression “Judge” includes . . . ^{F1}, registrar, magistrate, justice and coroner;
- (c) a photograph, portrait or sketch shall be deemed to be a photograph, portrait or sketch taken or made in court if it is taken or made in the court-room or in the building or in the precincts of the building in which the court is held, or if it is a photograph, portrait or sketch taken or made of the person while he is entering or leaving the court-room or any such building or precincts as aforesaid.

Textual Amendments

F1 Word repealed by [Courts Act 1971 \(c. 23\)](#), [Sch. 11 Pt. IV](#)

Status:

Point in time view as at 01/02/1991. This version of this provision has been superseded.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Criminal Justice Act 1925, Section 41.