



Documentary Evidence Act 1868

1868 CHAPTER 37 31 and 32 Vict

5 Definition of terms.

- (1) The following words shall in this Act have the meaning herein-after assigned to them, unless there is something in the context repugnant to such construction; (that is to say),
- “British colony and possession” shall for the purposes of this Act include the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man . . . ^{F1} and all other Her Majesty’s dominions.
- “Legislature” shall signify any authority, other than the Imperial Parliament or Her Majesty in Council, competent to make laws for any colony or possession.
- “Privy Council” shall include Her Majesty in Council and the lords and others of Her Majesty’s Privy Council, or any of them, and any committee of the Privy Council that is not specially named in the schedule hereto.
- “Government printer” shall mean and include the printer to Her Majesty, [^{F2}the Queen’s Printer for Scotland,] and any printer purporting to be the printer authorized to print the statutes, ordinances, acts of state, or other public acts of the legislature of any British colony or possession, or otherwise to be the Government printer of such colony or possession.
- “Gazette” shall include the London Gazette, the Edinburgh Gazette, and the [^{F3}Belfast] Gazette, or any of such Gazettes.

[“^{F2}office-holder in the Scottish Administration” has the same meaning as in the Scotland Act 1998.]

- (2) ^{F4}

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words repealed by S.R. & O. 1937/230 (Rev. X, p. 545: 1937, p. 963), Sch. Pt. II
- F2** Words in s. 5(1) inserted (6.5.1999) by S.I. 1999/1042, art. 3, Sch. 1 Pt. I para. 1
- F3** Word substituted by virtue of S.R. & O. 1921/1804 (Rev. XVI, p. 967: 1921, p. 422), art. 7(a)
- F4** S. 5(2) repealed by Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1976 (c. 16), Sch. 1 Pt. VII

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Documentary Evidence Act 1868, Section 5.