



# Trial Of Lunatics Act 1883

1883 CHAPTER 38 46 and 47 Vict

**2 Special verdict where accused found guilty, but insane at date of act or omission charged, and orders thereupon. E+W**

(1) Where in any indictment or information any act or omission is charged against any person as an offence, and it is given in evidence on the trial of such person for that offence that he was insane, so as not to be responsible, according to law, for his actions at the time when the act was done or omission made, then, if it appears to the jury before whom such person is tried that he did the act or made the omission charged, but was insane as aforesaid at the time when he did or made the same, the jury shall return [<sup>F1</sup>a special verdict that the accused is not guilty by reason of insanity.]

(2) ..... F2

(3) ..... F3

(4) ..... F4

**Textual Amendments**

**F1** Words substituted by [Criminal Procedure \(Insanity\) Act 1964 \(c. 84\), ss. 1, 8\(3\)\(a\)](#)

**F2** [S. 2\(2\)](#) repealed by [Criminal Procedure \(Insanity\) Act 1964 \(c. 84\), s. 8\(5\)\(a\)](#)

**F3** [S. 2\(3\)](#) repealed by [Criminal Lunatics Act 1884 \(c. 64\), Sch. 2](#)

**F4** [S. 2\(4\)](#) repealed by [Criminal Procedure \(Insanity\) Act 1964 \(c. 84\), s. 8\(5\)\(a\)](#)

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

**C1** [S. 2](#) restricted (1. 1. 1992) by [Criminal Procedure \(Insanity and Unfitness to Plead\) Act 1991 \(c. 25, SIF 39:1\), s. 1\(1\)](#), (with s. 8); [S.I. 1991/2488, art.2](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Trial Of Lunatics Act 1883, Section 2.