STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1975 No. 834 (S. 141)

HIGH COURT OF JUSTICIARY, SCOTLAND

Act of Adjournal (High Court Sittings and Juries) 1975

Made - - - 9th May 1975 Coming into Operation 16th May 1975

The Lord Justice General, the Lord Justice Clerk and Lords Commissioners of Justiciary by virtue of the powers conferred upon them by Sections 7 and 8 of the Juries (Scotland) Act 1825(a) as amended, Section 2 of the Act of 39 and 40 Victoria, Chapter 152, Section 1 of the Circuit Courts and Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1925(b) and all other powers competent to them in that behalf, do hereby enact and declare as follows:—

- 1. This Act of Adjournal shall be known as the Act of Adjournal (High Court Sittings and Juries) 1975 and shall come into operation on 16th May 1975.
- 2. Sittings of the High Court of Justiciary on Circuit and at Edinburgh shall be kept as hitherto at the places specified in Columns I and II of the Schedule attached hereto.
- 3. The Circuit kept at Stirling shall be disjoined from the Western Circuit and shall hereafter form part of the Northern Circuit.
- **4.** The area of territorial jurisdiction of the Circuit kept at each place or exclusively attached to the High Court of Justiciary sitting at Edinburgh as the case may be shall consist of the Sheriff Court Districts as defined in the Sheriff Court Districts Reorganisation Order 1975(c) shown in Column III of the said Schedule as being applicable to that circuit place or to Edinburgh.
- 5. The functions of the Sheriff Clerk of each Shire, and of the Sheriff Clerk of the Sheriffdoms, as designed by Sections (2) and (3) of the Act of Adjournal of 3rd November 1887, shall be performed for each circuit place by the Officer in charge of the Sheriff Clerk's Office at that place.
- **6.** The number of jurors to be summoned as provided by sections 7 and 8 of the said Juries (Scotland) Act shall be, for each Sheriff Court area, those specified for that area in Column IV of the said Schedule; provided that if the Clerk of Justiciary shall requisition fewer or more than forty-five the numbers to be summoned shall be diminished or increased in proportion as the case may be.
- 7. In this Act any reference to any enactment shall be construed as a reference to that enactment as amended or extended by or under any other enactment.

And the Lords appoint this Act to be published in the Edinburgh Gazette and entered in the Books of Adjournal.

(Sgd.) G. C. Emslie, I.P.D.

Edinburgh. 9th May 1975.

SCHEDULE

I Circuit	II Place	III Sheriff Court District	IV Proportion of Jurors	
North	Inverness	Kirkwall Lerwick Wick Dornoch Dingwall Tain Inverness Stornoway Lochmaddy Fort William Portree Nairn Elgin	3 3 3 3 15 — — 3 15	45
	Aberdeen	Banff Peterhead Aberdeen Stonehaven	6 3 33 3	45
	Dundee	Arbroath Forfar Dundee	6 6 33	45
	Perth	Perth Cupar Kirkcaldy Dunfermline	12 9 12 12	45
	Stirling	Stirling Falkirk Alloa	18 21 6	45
WEST	Glasgow	Glasgow and Strathkelvin Dumbarton Paisley Greenock Rothesay Hamilton Lanark Airdrie	45 4 4 9 12 5 — 16 2 7	100
	Oban	Campbeltown Dunoon Oban	15 15 15 15	45

I Circuit	II Place	III Sheriff Court District	IV Proportion of Jurors	ı
South	Ayr	Kilmarnock Ayr	27 18 4	45
	Dumfries	Stranraer Kirkcudbright Dumfries	9 36 4	45
	Jedburgh	Selkirk Jedburgh Duns	18 18 9	45
Edinburgh	Edinburgh	Haddington Edinburgh Peebles Linlithgow	6 30 3 6 4	45

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Act of Adjournal.)

This Act of Adjournal re-defines the Circuit Areas for the High Court following the reorganisation of local government in Scotland and specifies the proportion of jurors to be cited for each circuit.

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