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# Administration of Justice (Language) Act (Ireland) 1737

1737 CHAPTER 6 11 Geo 2

An Act that all Proceedings in Courts of Justice within this Kingdom shall be in the English Language.

Whereas many and great mischiefs do frequently happen to the subjects of this kingdom from the proceedings in courts of justice being in an unknown language; those who are summoned and impleaded having no knowledge or understanding of what is alledged for or against them in the pleadings of their lawyers and attorneys, who use a character not legible to any but persons practising the law:

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