



# Supreme Court Act 1981

## 1981 CHAPTER 54

### PART III

#### PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE

##### THE COURT OF APPEAL

##### *Sittings and vacations*

#### **57 Sittings and vacations**

- (1) Sittings of the Court of Appeal may be held, and any other business of the Court of Appeal may be conducted, at any place in England or Wales.
- (2) Subject to rules of court—
  - (a) the places at which the Court of Appeal sits outside the Royal Courts of Justice; and
  - (b) the days and times at which the Court of Appeal sits at any place outside the Royal Courts of Justice,shall be determined in accordance with directions given by the Lord Chancellor.
- (3) Rules of court may make provision for regulating the vacations to be observed by the Court of Appeal and in the offices of that court.
- (4) Rules of court—
  - (a) may provide for securing such sittings of the civil division of the Court of Appeal during vacation as the Master of the Rolls may with the concurrence of the Lord Chancellor determine;
  - (b) without prejudice to paragraph (a), shall provide for the transaction during vacation by judges of the Court of Appeal of all such business in the civil division of that court as may require to be immediately or promptly transacted; and

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- (c) shall provide for securing sittings of the criminal division of that court during vacation if necessary.