



Criminal Justice Act 1988

1988 CHAPTER 33

PART XI

MISCELLANEOUS

Appeals

156 Appeals to Crown Court

In paragraph (a) of section 48(2) of the Supreme Court Act 1981 (which sets out the powers of the Crown Court on the termination of the hearing of an appeal) for the words “the decision appealed against” there shall be substituted the words “any part of the decision appealed against, including a determination not to impose a separate penalty in respect of an offence”.

157 Groundless appeals and applications for leave to appeal

The following section shall be substituted for section 20 of the Criminal Appeal Act 1968—

“20 Disposal of groundless appeal or application for leave to appeal

If it appears to the registrar that a notice of appeal or application for leave to appeal does not show any substantial ground of appeal, he may refer the appeal or application for leave to the Court for summary determination; and where the case is so referred the Court may, if they consider that the appeal or application for leave is frivolous or vexatious, and can be determined without adjourning it for a full hearing, dismiss the appeal or application for leave summarily, without calling on anyone to attend the hearing or to appear for the Crown thereon.”.