



# Defamation Act 1996

## 1996 CHAPTER 31

### *The meaning of a statement*

#### **7 Ruling on the meaning of a statement.**

In defamation proceedings the court shall not be asked to rule whether a statement is arguably capable, as opposed to capable, of bearing a particular meaning or meanings attributed to it.

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#### **Commencement Information**

- 11** S.7 partly in force; s.7 not in force at Royal Assent, see s. 19; s. 7 in force (E.W.) at 28.2.2000 by S.I. 2000/222, art. 3
- 12** S. 7 in force at 6.1.2010 for N.I. by S.I. 2009/2858, art. 3(b)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Defamation Act 1996, Section 7.