



# Legal Services Act 2007

## 2007 CHAPTER 29

### PART 8

#### MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS ABOUT LAWYERS ETC

##### *Other lawyers*

#### **181 Unqualified person not to pretend to be a barrister**

- (1) It is an offence for a person who is not a barrister—
  - (a) wilfully to pretend to be a barrister, or
  - (b) with the intention of implying falsely that that person is a barrister to take or use any name, title or description.
- (2) A person who is guilty of an offence under subsection (1) is liable—
  - (a) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum (or both), and
  - (b) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years or a fine (or both).
- (3) In relation to an offence under subsection (1) committed before the commencement of section 154(1) of the Criminal Justice Act 2003 (c. 44), the reference in subsection (2) (a) to 12 months is to be read as a reference to 6 months.