## **CORONERS AND JUSTICE ACT 2009**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

THE ACT

Commentary on Sections

Part 1 - Coroners etc

**Chapter 1:** Investigations into deaths

Section 9: Determinations and findings by jury

91. A jury will be initially directed by the senior coroner to reach a unanimous determination or finding. If the coroner thinks that they have deliberated for a reasonable time without reaching a unanimous verdict, under *subsection* (2), he or she may accept a determination or finding on which the minority consists of no more than two persons. Also under *subsection* (2), the jury spokesperson should announce publicly how many agreed. If the required number of jurors does not agree, under *subsection* (3) the coroner may discharge the jury and summon a completely new jury and the case will be heard again.