

Supreme and District Courts Criminal Directions Benchbook

Update Notes – 3 February 2025

- 1. Chapter 39 – Lies Told By Defendant Going Only To Credit**
 - Replace entire chapter 39 with attached updated chapter 39.
- 2. Chapter 40 – Lies Told By The Defendant**
 - Replace entire chapter 40 with attached updated chapter 40.
- 3. Chapter 44 – Cross-Examination as to Complainant Motive to Lie**
 - Replace entire chapter 44 with attached updated chapter 44.
- 4. Chapter 47 – Privilege Against Self Incrimination**
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- 5. Chapter 55 – Majority Verdict**
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- 6. Chapter 56 – DNA**
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- 7. Chapter 57 – Fingerprints**
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- 8. Chapter 60 – Reasonable Doubt**
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- 9. Chapter 61 – Caution in Using Hearsay: s 93C(2) Evidence Act 1977**
 - Replace entire chapter 61 with attached updated chapter 61
- 10. Chapter 66 – Direction where a defence is not raised by counsel but raised on the evidence**
 - Replace entire chapter 66 with attached updated chapter 66.
- 11. Chapter 145 – Sexual Assault**
 - Replace entire chapter 145 with attached updated chapter 145.
- 12. Chapter 180 – Threatening Violence: s 75**
 - Replace entire chapter 180 with attached updated chapter 180.
- 13. Chapter 182 – Torture: s 320A**
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