

Supreme and District Courts Criminal Directions Benchbook

Update Notes – 26 March 2025

- 1. Chapter 7 – Protected Witnesses: s 21M**
 - Replace entire chapter 7 with attached updated chapter 7.
- 2. Chapter 9 – Evidence of Affected Children**
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- 3. Chapter 11 – Special Witnesses**
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- 4. Chapter 35 – Separate Consideration of Charges: Multiple Defendants Confronting Multiple Charges**
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- 5. Chapter 52 – Similar Fact Evidence**
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- 6. Chapter 53 – Jury Unanimity: Specific Issues**
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- 7. Chapter 67 – Distressed Condition**
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- 8. Chapter 68 – Preliminary Complaint**
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- 9. Chapter 89 – Defence of Movable Property**
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- 10. Chapter 109 – Attempting to Pervert Justice**
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- 11. Chapter 129 – Dangerous Operation of a Motor Vehicle**
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- 12. Chapter 157 – Maintaining a Sexual Relationship with a Child s 229B**
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- 13. Chapter 159 – Official Corruption s 8(1)(b)**
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- 14. Chapter 175 – Secret Commissions**
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- 15. Chapter 197 – Proof of Mental and Physical Elements: Commonwealth Offences**

- Replace entire chapter 197 with attached updated chapter 197.