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CRIMINAL LAW, ENGLAND AND WALES

**The Criminal Justice Act 2003 (Commencement No. 27) Order
2012**

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13th March 2012

The Secretary of State makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 336(3) and (4) of the Criminal Justice Act 2003^(a):

Citation and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Criminal Justice Act 2003 (Commencement No. 27) Order 2012.

(2) In this Order “the 2003 Act” means the Criminal Justice Act 2003.

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2. Section 29(1) to (3) and (5) (new method of instituting proceedings) and section 30 (further provision about the new method) of the 2003 Act come into force on 19th March 2012, but only for the purposes of criminal proceedings instituted by —

- (a) the Director of the Serious Fraud Office or a person authorised by the Director to institute criminal proceedings; and
- (b) the Director of Public Prosecutions or a person authorised by the Director to institute criminal proceedings.

Signed by the authority of the Secretary of State

13th March 2012

J Djanogly
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
Ministry of Justice

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force on 19th March 2012 section 29(1) to (3) and (5) and section 30 of the Criminal Justice Act 2003 for the purposes of allowing the following public prosecutors to institute criminal proceedings by issuing a written charge and requisition:

the Director of Public Prosecutions or a person authorised by the Director to institute criminal proceedings; and

the Director of the Serious Fraud Office or a person authorised by the Director to institute criminal proceedings.

The Criminal Justice Act 2003 (Commencement No. 16) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/1999), the Criminal Justice Act 2003 (Commencement No. 21) Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/1424), the Criminal Justice Act 2003 (Commencement No. 23) Order 2009 (S.I. 2009/2879), the Criminal Justice Act 2003 (Commencement No. 25) Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/3005), and the Criminal Justice Act 2003 (Commencement No. 26) Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/2188) commenced the same provisions in the 2003 Act as they apply in other types of criminal proceedings or locations.

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