

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

Juries (Amendment) Ordinance 1984

No. 8 of 1984

I, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, hereby make the following Ordinance under the *Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910*.

Dated 4 April 1984.

N. M. STEPHEN
Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command,

GARETH EVANS
Attorney-General

An Ordinance to amend the *Juries Ordinance 1967*

Short title

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the *Juries (Amendment) Ordinance 1984*.¹

Principal Ordinance

2. In this Ordinance, "Principal Ordinance" means the *Juries Ordinance 1967*.²

3. After section 18 of the Principal Ordinance the following section is inserted in Part III:

Lengthy trial—relief from jury service

"18A. (1) At the conclusion of a criminal trial, the Judge may, if he is of the opinion that the trial was of sufficient length to justify his doing so, order

that each of the jurors for that trial shall be excused from serving as a juror for a specified period.

“(2) The Sheriff shall—

- (a) make a notation of an order under sub-section (1) on the jury list next to the name of each person to whom the order relates; and
- (b) notify, in writing, that person of the making of the order.

“(3) During a period specified in an order under sub-section (1) —

- (a) the name of a person to whom the order relates shall, for the purposes of this Ordinance, be deemed to be not included in the jury list; and
- (b) that person is not liable to be summoned or appointed to attend to serve as a juror.”.

Jury list

4. Section 19 of the Principal Ordinance is amended by adding at the end thereof the following sub-section:

“(9) A reference in sub-section (2) or (8) to a person who is exempt from serving as a juror shall not be read as including a reference to a person to whom an order under sub-section 18A (1) relates.”.

NOTES

1. Notified in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* on 11 April 1984.
2. No. 47, 1967 as amended by No. 65, 1977; No. 46, 1978; No. 39, 1979; No. 37, 1981; Nos. 6 and 60, 1983.