

# THE TERRITORY FOR THE SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.

No. 1 of 1914.

## AN ORDINANCE

### For the Interpretation of Ordinances and for the Shortening of their Language.

BE it ordained by the Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the *Seat of Government Acceptance Act* 1909 and the *Seat of Government (Administration) Act* 1910, as follows:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the *Interpretation Ordinance* 1914. Short title.
2. Subject to this Ordinance, the *Acts Interpretation Act* 1901, and sections one to eight inclusive of the *Acts Interpretation Act* 1904, shall, so far as they are applicable, apply to all Ordinances, including this Ordinance, as if an Ordinance were an Act. Application of Acts Interpretation Act to Ordinances.
3. In any Ordinance, unless the contrary intention appears—  
“The Administrator” shall mean the Administrator for the Territory, and shall include any person who is authorized by the Minister to perform the duties of the Administrator;  
“Justice of the Peace” shall mean a Justice of the Peace having jurisdiction as such in the Territory;  
“The Minister” shall mean the Minister of State for Home Affairs;  
“Prescribed” shall mean prescribed by the Ordinance or by Regulations under the Ordinance; and  
“The Territory” shall mean the Territory for the Seat of Government. Definitions of certain official expressions.
4. All proceedings for offences (other than indictable offences) against the provisions of any Ordinance, or the Regulations thereunder, or any Ordinance which has been made under any law of the State of New South Wales and applied to the Territory by an Ordinance made by the Governor-General, may, unless the contrary intention appears in any Ordinance, be heard and determined in a summary way by a Police or Stipendiary Magistrate or by two or more Justices of the Peace sitting as a Court of Summary Jurisdiction. Proceedings for offences.

Dated this tenth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

R. M. FERGUSON,  
Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,  
W. H. KELLY.

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