

UNAUTHORIZED DOCUMENTS ORDINANCE 1969

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No. 35 of 1969

An Ordinance to prevent the unauthorized printing of certain documents and forms and for other purposes

[Assented to 30 September, 1969]

BE it ordained by the Legislative Council for the Northern Territory of Australia as follows:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the *Unauthorized Documents Ordinance* 1969. Short title

2. In this Ordinance, unless the contrary intention appears—
“court” means any court of justice in the Territory. Definitions

3.—(1.) Every person who sends or delivers to or serves or causes to be sent or delivered to or served on any other person any paper or writing which is not an original or a copy of a document published or issued out of or by or under the authority or with the sanction of any tribunal, but which is likely or intended to convey to such other person the impression that such paper or writing is an original or a copy of a document published or issued out of or by or under the authority or with the sanction of any tribunal shall be guilty of an offence. Sending or delivering false process

(2.) Every person who prints, publishes or sells or offers or exhibits for sale or causes to be printed, published or sold or offered or exhibited for sale any paper or writing which is not an original or a copy of a document published or issued as aforesaid, but which is likely or intended to convey to any person whomsoever the impression that such paper or writing is such an original or copy shall be guilty of an offence.

(3.) A person guilty of an offence under this section shall be liable to a penalty of not more than Four hundred dollars.

(4.) In any proceedings under this section if any person is named on any such paper or writing in such a way as to imply that he is the printer, publisher, seller or sender of the same such person shall *prima facie* be deemed to be the person who printed, published, sold or sent such paper or writing.

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(5.) In this section unless inconsistent with the context or subject-matter—

“document” includes any notice, claim, demand or process and any document relating to any extrajudicial remedy and whether in existence or not.

“tribunal” includes any court, Judge, Magistrate or Justice whether in or out of the Territory.
