

# THE CODE OF LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

## TITLE 1—GENERAL PROVISIONS

*This title was enacted by act July 30, 1947, ch. 388, § 1, 61 Stat. 633*

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### POSITIVE LAW; CITATION

This title has been made positive law by section 1 of act July 30, 1947, ch. 388, 61 Stat. 633, which provided in part that: “Title 1 of the United States Code entitled ‘General Provisions’, is codified and enacted into positive law and may be cited as ‘1 U. S. C., § —.’”

### REPEALS

Section 2 of act July 30, 1947, provided that the sections or parts thereof of the Statutes at Large or the Revised Statutes covering provisions codified in this Act are repealed insofar as the provisions appeared in former Title 1, and provided that any rights or liabilities now existing under the repealed sections or parts thereof shall not be affected by the repeal.

### WRITS OF ERROR

Section 23 of act June 25, 1948, ch. 646, 62 Stat. 990, provided that: “All Acts of Congress referring to writs of error shall be construed as amended to the extent necessary to substitute appeal for writ of error.”

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| 5.   | “Company” or “association” as including successors and assigns.                    |
| 6.   | Limitation of term “products of American fisheries.”                               |
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| 8.   | “Person”, “human being”, “child”, and “individual” as including born-alive infant. |

### AMENDMENTS

2002—Pub. L. 107–207, § 2(b), Aug. 5, 2002, 116 Stat. 926, added item 8.  
1996—Pub. L. 104–199, § 3(b), Sept. 21, 1996, 110 Stat. 2420, added item 7.

### § 1. Words denoting number, gender, and so forth

In determining the meaning of any Act of Congress, unless the context indicates otherwise—

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Does not conform to section catchline.