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The Children's Legal Assistance (Scotland) Regulations 2013

PART 2

CHILDREN'S ASSISTANCE BY WAY OF REPRESENTATION

Amendment of the Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Regulations 1996

- 4.—(1) The Advice and Assistance (Scotland) Regulations 1996(1) are amended as follows.
- (2) In regulation 2(1) (interpretation)—
 - (a) after the definition of "the 1996 Act" insert—
 - ""the 2011 Act" means the Children's Hearings (Scotland) Act 2011(2);"
 - (b) for the definition of "child" substitute—

""child" means a person under the age of 16 years, except in relation to any hearings or proceedings under the 2011 Act, where "child" has the meaning in section 199 of that Act;"

(c) after the definition of "legal representative" insert—

""safeguarder" means a safeguarder appointed to a child under section 30 or 31 of the 2011 Act".

- (3) In regulation 6(1) (applications on behalf of others)—
 - (a) in sub-paragraph (b), after "representative" insert "or;"; and
 - (b) after sub-paragraph (b) insert—
 - "(c) where the client is a child in terms of the 2011 Act, and the application concerns hearings or proceedings under that Act, a safeguarder or other lay representative of the child.".

(4) In paragraph 4A of Schedule 2 (assessment of disposable capital and disposable income), after sub-paragraph (3) insert—

"(4) This paragraph does not apply to assistance by way of representation in relation to hearings or proceedings under the 2011 Act.".

(2) 2011 asp 1.

⁽¹⁾ S.I. 1996/2447; relevant amending instruments are S.S.I. 2000/399, 2003/421, 2005/445 and 2010/462.