

## Judiciary and Courts (Scotland) Act 2008

## PART 2

THE JUDICIARY

## **CHAPTER 2**

SENIOR JUDICIARY: VACANCY, INCAPACITY AND SUSPENSION

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- (1) Where—
  - (a) any function is exercisable by, or anything falls to be done in relation to, the senior judge of the Inner House by virtue of section 4, 5 or 6, and
  - (b) that judge is unavailable,

the function is exercisable by, or the thing falls to be done in relation to, the second senior judge of the Inner House.

- (2) Where—
  - (a) any function is exercisable by, or anything falls to be done in relation to, the second senior judge of the Inner House by virtue of section 6 or subsection (1) above, and
  - (b) that judge is unavailable,

the function is exercisable by, or the thing falls to be done in relation to, the next senior judge of the Inner House who is available.

- (3) In calculating the total number of judges of the Inner House for the purposes of section 4(3) or 5(3), the following are not to be counted—
  - (a) in the case of section 4(3)—
    - (i) the Lord President, and
    - (ii) during any period when section 5 applies, the Lord Justice Clerk,
  - (b) in the case of section 5(3)—
    - (i) the Lord Justice Clerk, and
    - (ii) during any period when section 4 applies, the Lord President, and

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- (c) in either case—
  - (i) any judge of the Inner House who is suspended from office, and
  - (ii) any office of judge of the Inner House which is vacant.
- (4) The requirements in sections 4(4) and 5(4) do not apply for the purpose of declarations under sections 4(3)(a) and 5(3)(a) respectively if—
  - (a) the judges making the declarations are satisfied that both the Lord President and the Lord Justice Clerk are incapacitated, and
  - (b) the declarations state that this subsection applies.
- (5) Nothing in this Chapter affects any remuneration payable to, or in respect of, the Lord President, the Lord Justice Clerk or any other judge of the Inner House.