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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1999 No. 787**

**The Scottish Parliament (Elections etc.) Order 1999**

**PART III**

**THE ELECTION CAMPAIGN**

**Court's power to require information from election agent or sub-agent**

**54.**—(1) Where on an application under article 53 above it appears to the court that any person who is or has been an election agent or sub-agent or nominating officer has refused or failed to make such return, or to supply such particulars, as will enable a person to comply with the provisions of this Order as to the return or declaration as to election expenses the court before making an order under that article, shall order that person to attend before the court.

(2) The court shall on the attendance of that person unless he shows cause to the contrary, order him—

(a) to make the return and declaration; or

(b) to deliver a statement of the particulars required to be contained in the return,

as the court considers just, within such time, to such person and in such manner as it may direct, or may order him to be examined with respect to the particulars.

(3) If a person fails to comply with any order of the court under this article, the court may order him to pay a fine not exceeding the amount specified as level 5 on the standard scale.