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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order amends the Solicitors (Scotland) Act 1980 (c. 46) in relation to the maximum sum which the Council of the Law Society of Scotland and the Scottish Solicitors' Discipline Tribunal may direct a solicitor to pay to a client by way of compensation when a complaint is upheld that professional services provided by that solicitor in connection with any matter in which that solicitor had been instructed by the client were inadequate.

Article 2(a) increases the maximum sum which the Council of the Law Society of Scotland may direct the solicitor to pay to the client by way of compensation from £1,000 to £5,000.

Article 2(b) increases the maximum sum which the Scottish Solicitors' Discipline Tribunal may direct the solicitor to pay to the client by way of compensation from £1,000 to £5,000.