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The Police Service of Scotland (Senior Officers) (Conduct) Regulations 2013

PART 3

Misconduct hearings

Proceedings in senior officer's absence

- **20.**—(1) Where the senior officer informs the chairing member of the panel that the senior officer is unable to attend the misconduct hearing on grounds which the chairing member considers to be reasonable, the chairing member may permit the senior officer to participate in the proceedings by video link or other suitable means.
 - (2) Paragraph (3) applies where the senior officer—
 - (a) participates in the misconduct hearing in accordance with paragraph (1); or
 - (b) otherwise does not attend that hearing.
 - (3) Where this paragraph applies—
 - (a) the senior officer may be represented at the misconduct hearing by the senior officer's police friend, an advocate or a solicitor; and
 - (b) the hearing may be proceeded with and concluded in the senior officer's absence (whether or not the senior officer is so represented).