



Prescription and Limitation (Scotland) Act 1973

1973 CHAPTER 52

PART II

LIMITATION OF ACTIONS

[^{F1}18B Actions of harassment.

- (1) This section applies to actions of harassment (within the meaning of section 8 [^{F2}or section 8A] of the Protection from Harassment Act 1997) which include a claim for damages.
- (2) Subject to subsection (3) below and to section 19A of this Act, no action to which this section applies shall be brought unless it is commenced within a period of 3 years after—
 - (a) the date on which the alleged harassment ceased; or
 - (b) the date, (if later than the date mentioned in paragraph (a) above) on which the pursuer in the action became, or on which, in the opinion of the court, it would have been reasonably practicable for him in all the circumstances to have become, aware, that the defender was a person responsible for the alleged harassment or the employer or principal of such a person.
- (3) In the computation of the period specified in subsection (2) above there shall be disregarded any time during which the person who is alleged to have suffered the harassment was under legal disability by reason of nonage or unsoundness of mind.]

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 18B inserted (16.6.1997) by 1997 c. 40, ss. 10(1); S.I. 1997/1418, art. 2

F2 Words in s. 18B(1) inserted (21.7.2011) by Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2011 (asp 13), ss. 1(4), 5(2)

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