



Solicitors Act 1974

1974 CHAPTER 47

PART I

RIGHT TO PRACTISE AS SOLICITOR

Unqualified persons acting as solicitors

24 Application of penal provisions to body corporate.

- (1) If any act is done by a body corporate, or by any director, officer or servant of a body corporate, and is of such a nature or is done in such a manner as to be calculated to imply that the body corporate is qualified or recognised by law as qualified to act as a solicitor—
 - (a) the body corporate shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to [^{F1}a fine not exceeding the fourth level on the standard scale, and]
 - (b) in the case of an act done by a director, officer or servant of the body corporate, he also shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to [^{F2}a fine not exceeding the fourth level on the standard scale.]
- (2) For the avoidance of doubt it is hereby declared that in sections 20, 22 and 23 references to unqualified persons and to persons include references to bodies corporate.

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 24(1)(a): words substituted by virtue of Criminal Justice Act 1982 (c. 48, SIF 39:1), ss. 38, 46 and Administration of Justice Act 1985 (c. 61, SIF 34), ss. 8, 69(5), Sch. 1 para. 7(a), Sch. 9 para. 17
- F2** S. 24(1)(b): words substituted by virtue of Criminal Justice Act 1982 (c. 48, SIF 39:1), ss. 38, 46 and Administration of Justice Act 1985 (c. 61, SIF 34), ss. 8, 69(5), Sch. 1 para. 7(b), Sch. 9 para. 17

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Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** S. 24(1) excluded (1.1.1992) by Administration of Justice Act 1985 (c. 61, SIF 34), s. 9(3); S.I. 1991/2683, art. 2
- C2** S. 24(2) excluded by (1.1.1992) by Administration of Justice Act 1985 (c. 61, SIF 34), s. 9(3); S.I. 1991/2683, art. 2
- C3** S. 24(2) excluded by Administration of Justice Act 1985 (c. 61, SIF 34), s. 32(4)

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