

## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 14

#### SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

##### PART I

##### PROCEEDINGS IN COURT

##### *Jurisdiction of the court*

- 1 (1) No court other than the High Court or, in the case of a building society whose principal office is in Scotland the Court of Session, shall have jurisdiction to hear and determine disputes to which this paragraph applies ; and, in this Part of this Schedule, " the court" means the High Court or, as the case may be, the Court of Session.
- (2) This paragraph applies to any dispute—
- (a) between a building society and a member of the society in his capacity as a member, or
  - (b) between a building society and a representative of such a member in that capacity,
- in respect of any rights or obligations arising from the rules of the society or any provision of this Act or any statutory instrument under it.
- (3) Except in the cases referred to in sub-paragraph (5) below, no disputes to which this paragraph applies may be referred to arbitration.
- (4) The court shall not hear and determine any dispute arising out of section 61(8)(a) or paragraph 31(4)(a) of Schedule 2 to this Act.
- (5) The court shall not hear and determine any dispute which is required to be referred to arbitration under paragraph 4 below or which is referred to the Commission under paragraph 6 or to an adjudicator under paragraph 7 below except as provided in paragraph 2 below.
- 2 The court may hear and determine a dispute falling within paragraph 1(5) above in any case where, on the application of any person concerned, it appears to the court—
- (a) that application has been made by either party to the dispute to the other party for the purpose of having the dispute settled by arbitration, and
  - (b) that either arbitrators have not been appointed within 40 days of that application or the arbitrators have refused, or have neglected for a period of 21 days, to proceed with the reference or make an award.

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*Right of central office to be heard*

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- (1) Any person who institutes proceedings in the court in relation to a dispute to which paragraph 1 above applies shall give notice of the fact and of the matter in dispute to the central office.
  - (2) The court shall not proceed to hear a dispute to which paragraph 1 applies until the court is satisfied that the notice required by sub-paragraph (1) above has been given.
  - (3) The central office shall be entitled, with the leave of the court, to attend and to be heard at any hearing of a dispute to which paragraph 1 applies.