
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) Regulations 1987 (“the principal Regulations”).

They amend the principal Regulations by defining the references to Counsel, Junior Counsel and Senior Counsel in those Regulations as including a reference to a solicitor having a right of audience in the Court of Session, the House of Lords and the Judicial committee of the Privy Council by virtue of section 25A (rights of audience in specified courts) of the Solicitors (Scotland) Act 1980, as inserted by section 24 of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1990.

They also amend the reference to “the right of a minor” to apply for legal aid as a consequence of the Age of Legal Capacity (Scotland) Act 1991 (c. 50) (regulation 4).

These amendments only apply in relation to any application made to the Scottish Legal Aid Board on or after 1st April 1993 (regulation 6).