EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Act of Sederunt)

This Act of Sederunt amends Part II of Chapter 42 of the Rules of the Court of Session 1994 (which deals with fees of solicitors) by—

- (i) providing for a fee for an expert witness giving evidence by affidavit (paragraph 2(3));
- (ii) clarifying the rules on the four month time limit for lodging accounts and on charges for the precognition of witnesses (paragraph 2(2)(4) and (5)); and

(iii) increasing—

- (a) the fees payable to solicitors by about 3 per cent; and
- (b) the maximum outlays in undefended causes permitted under Part I of Chapter III by 12½ per cent in view of the introduction of increased court fees in the Court of Session(paragraph 2(6)).