

SCHEDULE 2

PART 19

PARTIES AND GROUP LITIGATION

Procedure for adding and substituting parties

19.4.—(1) The court's permission is required to remove, add or substitute a party, unless the claim form has not been served.

(2) An application for permission under paragraph (1) may be made by—

- (a) an existing party; or
- (b) a person who wishes to become a party.

(3) An application for an order under rule 19.2(4) (substitution of a new party where existing party's interest or liability has passed)—

- (a) may be made without notice; and
- (b) must be supported by evidence.

(4) Nobody may be added or substituted as a claimant unless—

- (a) he has given his consent in writing; and
- (b) that consent has been filed with the court.

(5) An order for the removal, addition or substitution of a party must be served on—

- (a) all parties to the proceedings; and
- (b) any other person affected by the order.

(6) When the court makes an order for the removal, addition or substitution of a party, it may give consequential directions about—

- (a) filing and serving the claim form on any new defendant;
- (b) serving relevant documents on the new party; and
- (c) the management of the proceedings.