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LEGAL PROFESSION, ENGLAND AND WALES

Solicitors (Compensation for Inadequate Professional Services) Order 2005

Made	5th October 2005
Laid before Parliament	10th October 2005
Coming into force	1st January 2006

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by paragraph 3(2) of Schedule 1A to the Solicitors Act 1974(a), having consulted the Law Society, hereby makes the following Order:

1. This Order may be cited as the Solicitors (Compensation for Inadequate Professional Services) Order 2005 and shall come into force on 1st January 2006.

2. In paragraph 3(1) of Schedule 1A to the Solicitors Act 1974(**b**), for the figure "£5,000" there shall be substituted the figure "£15,000".

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

5th October 2005

Bridget Prentice Parliamentary Secretary, Department for Constitutional Affairs

⁽a) 1974 c. 47; Schedule 1A was added by Schedule 15 to the Courts and Legal Services Act 1990 (c. 41), and the functions of the Lord Chancellor under paragraph 3(2) of Schedule 1A transferred to the Secretary of State by Article 9 of, and paragraph 3 of Schedule 2 to, the Secretary of State for Constitutional Affairs Order 2003 (S.I. 2003/1887).

⁽**b**) Amended by S.I. 2000/644.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order increases from $\pounds 5,000$ to $\pounds 15,000$ the maximum compensation that the Council of the Law Society may direct a solicitor to pay his client for inadequate professional services.

£3.00

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