STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No. 548

The Court of Protection (Amendment) Rules 2015

Amendments to the Court of Protection Rules 2007

- **8.** In rule 6—
 - (a) after the definition of "the Act" insert—

""accredited legal representative" means a legal representative authorised pursuant to a scheme of accreditation approved by the President to represent persons meeting the definition of "P" in this rule in proceedings before the court;";

- (b) after the definition of "filing" insert—
 - ""hearing" includes a hearing conducted by telephone, video link, or any other method permitted or directed by the court;";
- (c) omit the definition of "permission form";
- (d) after the definition of "protected party" insert—

""representative" means a person appointed under rule 3A(2)(c), except where the context otherwise requires;"; and

(e) after the definition of "Senior Judge" insert—

""Tier 1 Judge" means any judge nominated to act as a judge of the Court of Protection under section 46 of the Act who is neither a Tier 2 Judge nor a Tier 3 Judge;

"Tier 2 Judge" means—

- (a) the Senior Judge; and
- (b) such other judges nominated to act as a judge of the Court of Protection under section 46 of the Act as may be set out in the relevant practice direction;

"Tier 3 Judge" means—

- (a) the President;
- (b) the Vice-President; and
- (c) such other judges nominated to act as a judge of the Court of Protection under section 46 of the Act as may be set out in the relevant practice direction;".