These notes relate to the Bankruptcy and Diligence etc. (Scotland) Act 2007 (asp 3) which received Royal Assent on 15 January 2007

## BANKRUPTCY AND DILIGENCE ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2007

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## THE ACT

**Commentary** 

Schedule 2 – the Scottish Civil Enforcement Commission (Introduced by Section 50)

## **Investigation of judicial officers**

Section 70 – Commission's power in relation to judicial officer's bankruptcy etc.

214. Section 70 allows the Commission to make a referral to the disciplinary committee (to be dealt with under section 71) when it becomes aware of the occurrence of a public act of bankruptcy or related event as listed in section 62(2). The Commission can make such a referral only if it considers that the circumstances of the event give rise to concerns about the officer that the disciplinary committee could not otherwise consider because the circumstances and concerns do not constitute misconduct or a criminal offence. A public act of bankruptcy or a related event could be classified as misconduct if it entails conduct tending to bring the office of judicial officer into disrepute.