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PART 2

REGULATION OF LICENSED LEGAL SERVICES

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LICENSED LEGAL SERVICES PROVIDERS

Non-solicitor investors

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- (1) An approved regulator must—
 - (a) before issuing a licence to a licensed legal services provider, or renewing it, satisfy itself as to the fitness of every non-solicitor investor in the licensed provider for having an interest in the licensed provider,
 - (b) thereafter, monitor as it considers appropriate the investor's fitness in that regard.
- (2) Licensing rules must—
 - (a) explain the basis on which a non-solicitor investor's fitness for having an interest in a licensed provider is determinable,
 - (b) provide that, where the approved regulator determines that the investor is unfit in that regard—
 - (i) a licence is not to be issued to the licensed provider (or renewed),
 - (ii) if issued, the licence is to be revoked or suspended.
- (3) But the approved regulator need not act as required by licensing rules made under subsection (2)(b) if, by such time as it may reasonably appoint, the licensed provider demonstrates to it that (following disqualification as required by section 65(1) or otherwise) the investor no longer has the relevant interest.
- (4) The approved regulator must, before making its final determination as to fitness, give the non-solicitor investor 28 days (or such longer period as it may allow) to—

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- (a) make representations to it,
 - (b) take such steps as the investor may consider expedient.
- (5) A person who is determined as unfit under this section may appeal against the determination—
- (a) to the sheriff,
 - (b) within the period of 3 months beginning with the date on which the determination is made.