



Victims and Witnesses (Scotland) Act 2014

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General

32 Interpretation

In this Act—

“the 1995 Act” means the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995,

“the 2003 Act” means the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2003,

[^{F1} “competent authority” means each of the following persons—

- (a) the Lord Advocate,
- (b) the Scottish Ministers,
- (c) the chief constable of the Police Service of Scotland,
- (d) the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service,
- (e) the Parole Board for Scotland,

“a member of police staff” means a member of police staff appointed under section 26 of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012,]

“the Mental Health Act” means the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003.

[^{F2} “procurator fiscal” has the same meaning as in section 307(1) of the 1995 Act.]

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)

- F1** Words in s. 32 inserted (23.12.2015) by
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17(b)

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