



# Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014

## 2014 asp 18

### PART 1

#### SHERIFF COURTS

#### CHAPTER 2

#### JUDICIARY OF THE SHERIFFDOMS

##### *Qualification and disqualification*

#### **15 Disqualification from practice, etc.**

- (1) An individual holding a judicial office mentioned in subsection (2) must not, for so long as the individual holds the office—
- (a) engage, whether directly or indirectly, in practice as a solicitor or advocate or in any other business,
  - (b) be in partnership with, or employed by, a person so engaged, or
  - (c) act as agent for a person so engaged.
- (2) The judicial offices are—
- (a) sheriff principal,
  - (b) sheriff,
  - (c) summary sheriff.
- (3) A part-time sheriff, or a part-time summary sheriff, who is a solicitor in practice must not carry out any function as a part-time sheriff or, as the case may be, a part-time summary sheriff in a sheriff court district in which his or her place of business as such solicitor is situated.

#### **Commencement Information**

**II** S. 15 in force at 1.4.2015 by S.S.I. 2015/77, art. 2(2)(3), Sch.

**Changes to legislation:**

Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014, Section 15 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 16 May 2023. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- sch. 1 para. 5A and cross-heading inserted by [2020 asp 9 s. 9](#)
- sch. 1 para. 2(g)(h) inserted by [2021 asp 16 s. 15\(8\)](#)