

SCHEDULES

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ENHANCED LEGAL AID FEES FOR CERTAIN SOLICITORS

Power to provide for enhanced fee

- 1.—(1) Regulations under Article 22 or 36 of the [Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance \(Northern Ireland\) Order 1981 \(NI 8\)](#) or an order under Schedule 2 to that Order may provide for the payment of an enhanced fee to a solicitor who—
- (a) exercises a right of audience in a court or tribunal to which this Schedule applies;
 - (b) has been accredited by the Law Society under paragraph 2 in relation to that court or tribunal; and
 - (c) complied with the duties in paragraph 3.
- (2) This Schedule applies to—
- (a) the Crown Court;
 - (b) a county court;
 - (c) a magistrates' court; and
 - (d) a tribunal to which sub-paragraph (3) applies.
- (3) This sub-paragraph applies to a tribunal if—
- (a) it is a tribunal mentioned in Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the [Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance \(Northern Ireland\) Order 1981 \(NI 8\)](#); or
 - (b) assistance by way of representation may be approved under Article 5 of that Order in respect of proceedings before the tribunal.