
SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) Regulations 2002

PART VI

CHANGE OF CIRCUMSTANCES

Duty to report abuse of legal aid

24.—(1) Where an assisted person's solicitor or counsel has reason to believe that the assisted person has—

- (a) required his or her case to be conducted unreasonably so as to incur an unjustifiable expense to the Fund or has required unreasonably that the case be continued; or
- (b) wilfully failed to comply with any requirement of the Act or of these Regulations as to the information to be furnished by that assisted person or, in furnishing such information, has knowingly made a false statement or false representation,

the solicitor or counsel shall forthwith draw this matter to the attention of the Board.

(2) No solicitor or counsel shall be precluded, by reason of any privilege arising out of the relationship between counsel, solicitor and client, from disclosing to the Board any information, or from giving any opinion, which that solicitor or counsel is required to disclose or give to the Board under the Act or these Regulations, or which may enable the Board to perform its functions thereunder.