2019 No. 122

SHERIFF COURT

Act of Sederunt (Simple Procedure Amendment) (Civil Online) 2019

Made	28th March 2019
Laid before the Scottish Parliament	29th March 2019
Coming into force	25th April 2019

In accordance with section 4 of the Scottish Civil Justice Council and Criminal Legal Assistance Act 2013(a), the Court of Session has approved draft rules submitted to it by the Scottish Civil Justice Council with such modifications as it thinks appropriate.

The Court of Session therefore makes this Act of Sederunt under the powers conferred by section 104(1) of the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014(b) and all other powers enabling it to do so.

Citation and commencement, etc.

1.-(1) This Act of Sederunt may be cited as the Act of Sederunt (Simple Procedure Amendment) (Civil Online) 2019.

(2) It comes into force on 25th April 2019.

(3) A certified copy is to be inserted in the Books of Sederunt.

Amendment of the Act of Sederunt (Simple Procedure) 2016

2.—(1) The Act of Sederunt (Simple Procedure) 2016(c) is amended in accordance with this paragraph.

(2) In schedule 2 (forms)—

(a) in Form 4A (response form)(d), in the introduction, after "There are guidance notes for each part of the form.", insert-

"You can respond to this claim online using the Civil Online portal on the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service website.";

⁽a) 2013 asp 3. Section 4 was amended by the Courts Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 (asp 18), schedule 5, paragraph 31(3), and by the Inquiries into Fatal Accidents and Sudden Deaths etc. (Scotland) Act 2016 (asp 2), schedule 1, paragraph 1(4). (**b**) 2014 asp 18.

⁽c) S.S.I. 2016/200, last amended by S.S.I. 2018/191.

⁽d) Form 4A was substituted by S.S.I. 2018/191.

(b) in Form 6A (notice of claim)(**a**), in Part B, after "(b) if you want to admit the claim and ask for time to pay, send a Time to Pay Application to the court.", insert—

"You can **respond to this claim online** using the Civil Online portal on the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service website.".

CJM SUTHERLAND Lord President I.P.D.

Edinburgh 28th March 2019

⁽a) Form 6A was substituted by S.S.I. 2017/154 and last amended by S.S.I. 2018/191.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Act of Sederunt)

This Act of Sederunt amends the Act of Sederunt (Simple Procedure) 2016 to include references to the Civil Online portal on the Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service website. From 25th April 2019, respondents will be able to complete a Response Form through Civil Online.

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