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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 16

#### THE LAW SOCIETY, SOLICITORS, RECOGNISED BODIES AND FOREIGN LAWYERS

##### PART 1

##### THE SOLICITORS ACT 1974 (C. 47)

45 For section 44C (payment of costs of investigations) substitute—

**“44C Power to charge for costs of investigations**

- (1) The Society may make regulations prescribing charges to be paid to the Society by solicitors who are the subject of a discipline investigation.
- (2) A “discipline investigation” is an investigation carried out by the Society into—
  - (a) possible professional misconduct by a solicitor, or
  - (b) a failure or apprehended failure by a solicitor to comply with any requirement imposed by or by virtue of this Act or any rules made by the Society.
- (3) Regulations under this section may—
  - (a) make different provision for different cases or purposes;
  - (b) provide for the whole or part of a charge payable under the regulations to be repaid in such circumstances as may be prescribed by the regulations.
- (4) Any charge which a solicitor is required to pay under regulations under this section is recoverable by the Society as a debt due to the Society from the solicitor.
- (5) This section (other than subsection (2)(a)) applies in relation to an employee of a solicitor as it applies in relation to a solicitor.”

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**Commencement Information**

**II** Sch. 16 para. 45 wholly in force at 31.3.2009, see s. 211 and [S.I. 2009/503](#), [art. 2\(b\)\(i\)](#) (subject to [art. 4](#))

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