#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2008 No. 1911

The Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008

#### **PART 17**

LLPs: SUPPLEMENTARY AND INTERPRETATION

#### Courts and legal proceedings

**51.** Section 1157 applies to LLPs [F1 for the purposes of these Regulations], modified so that it reads as follows—

### "Power of court to grant relief in certain cases

- 1157.—(1) If in proceedings for negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust against—
  - (a) a member of an LLP, or
  - (b) a person employed by an LLP as auditor,

it appears to the court hearing the case that the member or person is or may be liable but that he acted honestly and reasonably, and that having regard to all the circumstances of the case (including those connected with his appointment) he ought fairly to be excused, the court may relieve him, either wholly or in part, from his liability on such terms as it thinks fit.

- (2) If any such member or person has reason to apprehend that a claim will or might be made against him in respect of negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust—
  - (a) he may apply to the court for relief, and
  - (b) the court has the same power to relieve him as it would have had if it had been a court before which proceedings against him for negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust had been brought.
- (3) Where a case to which subsection (1) applies is being tried by a judge with a jury, the judge, after hearing the evidence, may, if he is satisfied that the defendant (in Scotland, the defender) ought in pursuance of that subsection to be relieved either in whole or in part from the liability sought to be enforced against him, withdraw the case from the jury and forthwith direct judgment to be entered for the defendant (in Scotland, grant decree of absolvitor) on such terms as to costs (in Scotland, expenses) or otherwise as the judge may think proper."

#### **Textual Amendments**

F1 Words in regs. 49-51 inserted (1.10.2009) by virtue of The Limited Liability Partnerships (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2009 (S.I. 2009/1804), reg. 2(3), Sch. 3 para. 15(4)

# **Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008, Section 51.