These notes relate to the Abolition of Feudal Tenure etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 (asp 5) which received Royal Assent on 14 July 2000

# **ABOLITION OF FEUDAL TENURE**

## ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2000

### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

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#### **Commentary on Sections**

#### Part 2: Land Transfers Etc. on and after Appointed Day

#### Section 4: Ownership of land

- 30. *Section* 4 restates, in non-feudal language, the established rules for the transfer of ownership of land.
- 31. Subsection (1) provides that ownership passes either on registration of an interest in land in the Land Register of Scotland following a registrable transfer of a property in a county which is operational under the Land Registration (Scotland) Act 1979, or in any other case, on the recording of the conveyance of the land in the Register of Sasines.
- 32. Subsection (2) follows section 3(2) of the Land Registration (Scotland) Act 1979 in saving any special rule of the common law or statute. The most important such rule in practice is that which states that when land is conveyed to A and B and the survivor, ownership of A's pro indiviso share passes automatically to B, in the event that A predeceases B without evacuating the destination i.e. making some other arrangement for what happens to the pro indiviso share after the person's death.