

These notes relate to the Judiciary and Courts (Scotland) Act 2008 (asp 6) which received Royal Assent on 29 October 2008

JUDICIARY AND COURTS (SCOTLAND) ACT 2008

EXPLANATORY NOTES

THE ACT

Part 2 – the Judiciary

Chapter 3 - Judicial Appointments

Lord President and Lord Justice Clerk

Section 20 - Selection criteria

59. This section is a similar provision to section 12. Subsection (2) makes it clear that selection to either of these offices must be solely on merit in order to ensure the integrity of the process. In addition, subsection (3) requires that an individual may only be selected if he or she is of good character.