

**2016 No. 356**

**LEGAL AID AND ADVICE**

**The Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986 Amendment Regulations  
2016**

*Made* - - - - *2nd November 2016*

*Coming into force* - - *1st December 2016*

The Scottish Ministers make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 13(4) of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986(a) and all other powers enabling them to do so.

In accordance with section 37(2) of that Act, a draft of this instrument has been laid before, and approved by resolution of, the Scottish Parliament.

**Citation and commencement**

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986 Amendment Regulations 2016 and come into force on 1st December 2016.

**Proceedings in which civil legal aid is available**

2. In paragraph 1 of Part I of schedule 2 of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986(b) (courts in which civil legal aid is available), before the entry relating to the Upper Tribunal insert—

“in or with respect to an appeal to the Upper Tribunal for Scotland(c) (including an application for permission to appeal);”.

*ANNABELLE EWING*

Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

St Andrew's House,  
Edinburgh  
2nd November 2016

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(a) 1986 c.47. The functions of the Secretary of State were transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c.46).  
(b) Schedule 2 was relevantly amended by S.S.I. 2001/42, S.S.I. 2002/532 and S.S.I. 2010/239.  
(c) Established by section 1 of the Tribunals (Scotland) Act 2014 (asp 10).

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend Part 1 of schedule 2 of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 1986 to add appeals to the Upper Tribunal for Scotland (established by section 1 of the Tribunals (Scotland) Act 2014) to the list of proceedings in which civil legal aid is available.

A Business and Regulatory Impact Assessment has been prepared for these Regulations and placed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre. Copies can be obtained from the Scottish Government Justice Directorate, St Andrews House, Edinburgh EH1 3DG.

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