

Solicitors (Scotland) Act 1980

1980 CHAPTER 46

PART IV

COMPLAINTS AND DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

The Court

55 Powers of Court

- (1) In the case of professional misconduct by any solicitor the Court may—
 - (a) cause the name of that solicitor to be struck off the roll; or
 - (b) suspend the solicitor from practice as a solicitor for such period as the Court may determine; or
 - (c) fine the solicitor; or
 - (d) censure him; and in any of those events,
 - (e) find him liable in any expenses which may be involved in the proceedings before the Court.
- (2) Subject to subsection (3), a decision of the Court under this section shall be final.
- (3) A solicitor whose name has been struck off the roll in pursuance of an order made by the Court under subsection (1), may apply to the Court for an order directing his name to be restored to the roll and the Court may make such order.
- (4) An application under subsection (3) shall be by way of petition and intimation of any such petition shall be made to the Tribunal who shall be entitled to appear and to be heard in respect of the application.

56 Saving for jurisdiction of courts

Except as otherwise expressly provided, nothing in this Part shall affect the jurisdiction exercisable by the Court, or by any inferior court, over solicitors.