EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Act of Sederunt)

This Act of Sederunt provides, in paragraph 2, for new Ordinary Cause Rules in the sheriff court. The Rules include, in Chapter 9 (standard procedure in defended causes), a new procedure for securing the expeditious progress of defended causes.

This Act of Sederunt also-

- (a) provides for the application of certain ordinary cause rules to summary causes and small claims (paragraph 3);
- (b) repeals certain provisions of the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Extracts Act 1892 for which provision is made in Chapter 30 of the new Ordinary Cause Rules (paragraph 5 and Schedule 2); and
- (c) revokes certain Acts of Sederunt dealing with consistorial and matrimonial matters for which provision is made in Chapter 33 of the new Ordinary Cause Rules and revokes part of the Codifying Act of Sederunt 1913 dealing with letters of request for which provision is made in Chapter 28 of the new Ordinary Cause Rules (paragraph 5 and Schedule 2).