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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations amend the Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Regulations 1989 (“the principal Regulations”).

The regulations—

- (a) substitute new definitions relating to solicitors who have a right of audience in the Court of Session, the House of Lords and the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, make new provision in relation to such solicitors and revoke the Civil Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Amendment Regulations 1993 ([S.I. 1993/531](#)) which inserted defective definitions in relation to such solicitors (regulations 3, 5, 7 and 8(2));
- (b) provide a new factor (steps taken to settle or limit the scope of proceedings) which may be taken into account in fixing an increased fee under regulation 5(4) of the principal Regulations (regulation 4); and
- (c) provide a new Table of Fees of solicitors for proceedings in the sheriff court to take account of the Ordinary Cause Rules 1993 introduced by Act of Sederunt (Sheriff Court Ordinary Cause Rules) 1993 ([S.I. 1993/1956](#)) (regulation 6 and 8(1)).