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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2023 No. 767**

**The Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions)  
(Amendment) (England and Wales) Order 2023**

**Amendments to the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) Order 1975**

2.—(1) Schedule 1 to the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) Order 1975<sup>(1)</sup> is amended as follows.

(2) In Part 1 (professions), after paragraph 18, insert—

“19. Chartered management accountant.

20. Notary public of England and Wales.”.

(3) In Part 2 (offices, employments and work), after paragraph 43<sup>(2)</sup>, insert—

“45. Fire and rescue authority employees.

46. Justice system intermediaries who are commissioned on behalf of His Majesty’s Government through an approved scheme or contracted service in force, such as the Ministry of Justice Witness Intermediary Scheme or His Majesty’s Courts and Tribunals Service Appointed Intermediary Services.”.

(4) In Part 4 (interpretation)—

(a) after the definition of “chartered legal executive” insert—

““chartered management accountant” means a member, registered student or affiliate of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants;”;

(b) after the definition of “court security officers” insert—

““fire and rescue authority” has the meaning given by section 1 of the Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004;”;

(c) after the definition of “members of the judiciary” insert—

““notary public of England and Wales” means a notary who is appointed by the Court of Faculties of the Archbishop of Canterbury in accordance with rules made by the Master of the Faculties;”;

(d) after the definition of “judicial appointment” insert—

““justice system intermediary” means a person acting as an impartial communication specialist for vulnerable people, with respect to or in connection with the justice system, who provides assistance with communication needs and helps enable effective participation in proceedings;”;

(e) omit the definitions of “proprietor” and “independent school”.

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(1) [S.I. 1975/1023](#). Relevant amending instruments are [S.I. 2006/2143](#), [2009/1818](#), [2012/3006](#) and [2014/1707](#). There are other amendments to Parts 1, 2 and 4 of Schedule 1, but none is relevant.

(2) Paragraph 44 was inserted by [S.I. 2009/1818](#) and revoked by [S.I. 2012/3006](#).