TITLE CONDITIONS (SCOTLAND) ACT 2003

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 5: Real Burdens: Miscellaneous

Section 69: Further provision as respects deeds of variation and of discharge

- 296. This section makes additional provision in respect of extinctive deeds.
- 297. Subsection (1) makes clear that such a deed need not be granted in favour of any particular person. This removes the current uncertainty in the law. However, there would be no objection if a grantee were named.
- 298. Subsection (2) allows anyone who is subject to a real burden including a tenant or other temporary possessor (see section 9(2)) to procure a discharge or other extinctive deed and to register it in the property register.
- 299. The normal rule is that only a grantee can register: see the Abolition of Feudal Tenure etc. (Scotland) Act 2000 section 5(1) (Register of Sasines), and rule 9(1) of the Land Registration (Scotland) Rules 1980 (Land Register). *Subsection (3)* allows registration by a granter in cases where the deed is granted by a majority of owners, or by a manager. In at least some of these cases the grantee might oppose the deed and would not therefore be willing to register. In other cases allowing a manager to register is administratively convenient.