

### SCHEDULE 3 THE SCOTTISH CHILDREN'S REPORTER ADMINISTRATION

#### *The Principal Reporter*

- 8 (1) The Principal Reporter is to be appointed by SCRA with the approval of the Scottish Ministers.
- (2) SCRA must take reasonable steps to involve persons who are under 21 years of age in the process for selection of a person for appointment under sub-paragraph (1).
- (3) The Principal Reporter holds and vacates that office on terms and conditions determined by SCRA and approved by the Scottish Ministers.
- (4) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations prescribe qualifications that must be held by the Principal Reporter.
- (5) A person is disqualified from appointment, and from holding office, as the Principal Reporter if the person is or becomes—
- (a) a member of the House of Commons,
  - (b) a member of the Scottish Parliament, or
  - (c) a member of the European Parliament.
- (6) The Principal Reporter may appeal to the Scottish Ministers against dismissal by SCRA.
- (7) SCRA is the respondent in an appeal under sub-paragraph (6).
- (8) The Scottish Ministers may by regulations make provision about—
- (a) the procedure to be followed in appeals under sub-paragraph (6),
  - (b) the effect of making such an appeal,
  - (c) the powers of the Scottish Ministers for disposing of such appeals (including powers to make directions about liability for expenses),
  - (d) the effect of the exercise of those powers.
- (9) Nothing in this paragraph affects any appointment in force on the commencement of this paragraph.