

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations amend the Criminal Legal Aid (Scotland) (Fees) Regulations 1989 (“the principal Regulations”) to provide that the fees payable to solicitors in solemn proceedings be increased by 8% for advocacy work and by 12% for all other categories of work (regulations 4, 5 and 6). The fees payable to duty solicitors are increased for all proceedings. The increase is backdated to apply to fees for work done on or after 1st December 2005 (regulation 2). A statutory reference in regulation 5 of the principal Regulations is updated (regulation 4).