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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Act of Sederunt)*

This Act of Sederunt makes amendments to the Rules of the Court of Session 1994.

Paragraph 2 introduces a new Chapter 12B into the Rules. This regulates the provision of lay representation to party litigants in the conduct of proceedings.

Paragraph 3 revokes Chapters containing rules which set out criteria for the court in considering applications for permission to appeal against decisions of the Upper Tribunal. This follows an Opinion of the court in the application for leave to appeal by *KP and MRK v. The Secretary of State for the Home Department* 2012 CSIH 38 in which the court held that it did not have the power to make those rules.