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## SCHEDULES

#### SCHEDULE 17

## LICENSED CONVEYANCING

#### PART 1

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE ACT 1985 (C. 61)

13 After section 24 insert—

### "24A Determination of allegations by Investigating Committee

- (1) Where, on hearing an allegation by virtue of section 24(1A)(a), the Investigating Committee are satisfied that a licensed conveyancer—
  - (a) has, while holding a licence in force under this Part, failed to comply with any condition to which that licence was subject, or
  - (b) has failed to comply with any rules made by the Council under this Part,

the Committee may, if they think fit, make an order directing the payment by the licensed conveyancer of a penalty to be forfeited to Her Majesty.

- (2) In relation to proceedings before the Investigating Committee by virtue of section 24(1A)(a), the Committee may make such order as they consider fit as to the payment of costs by—
  - (a) the Council,
  - (b) the licensed conveyancer against whom the proceedings were brought, or
  - (c) if the person on whose allegation the proceedings were brought was heard (in person, or through a representative) by the Committee in the course of the proceedings, that person.
- (3) In subsection (2), for the purposes of paragraph (a) or (b) of that subsection, the reference to costs includes costs incurred in connection with a preliminary investigation of the allegation under section 24(1A).
- (4) The amount of any penalty required to be paid under subsection (1) may not exceed such amount as may be prescribed by rules made by the Council for the purposes of this subsection.
- (5) Paragraphs 1, 2(1) and (3) and 4 of Schedule 4 have effect in relation to—
  - (a) proceedings for the hearing and determination of an allegation by the Investigating Committee, as they have effect in relation to proceedings before the Discipline and Appeals Committee under section 26, and

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- (b) orders of the Investigating Committee, as they have effect in relation to orders of the Discipline and Appeals Committee.
- (6) A person against whom an order is made by the Investigating Committee by virtue of subsection (1) may appeal to the Discipline and Appeals Committee, and on any such appeal the Discipline and Appeals Committee may make such order as they think fit.
- (7) Where an order is made by the Investigating Committee by virtue of subsection (2), a person listed in paragraphs (a) to (c) of that subsection may appeal to the Discipline and Appeals Committee, and on any such appeal the Discipline and Appeals Committee may make such order as they think fit.
- (8) Where an order is made by the Discipline and Appeals Committee under subsection (6) or (7)—
  - (a) a party to the appeal, or
  - (b) if not within paragraph (a), the Council, may appeal against the order to the High Court.
- (9) On an appeal under subsection (8) the High Court may make such order as it thinks fit.
- (10) The decision of the High Court on an appeal under subsection (8) shall be final."

#### **Commencement Information**

II Sch. 17 para. 13 in force at 31.3.2009 by S.I. 2009/503, art. 2(c)(i)

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