STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2010 No. 18

The Legislative Reform (Insolvency) (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order 2010

Provision relating to verification of documents

Affidavits

- **5.**—(1) In section 47(2) (statement of affairs to be submitted) for "affidavit" substitute "a statement of truth".
 - (2) In section 95 (effect of company's insolvency)—
 - (a) in subsection (4) omit "shall be verified by affidavit by the liquidator and"; and
 - (b) after that subsection insert—
 - "(4A) The statement as to the affairs of the company shall be verified by the liquidator—
 - (a) in the case of a winding up of a company registered in England and Wales, by a statement of truth; and
 - (b) in the case of a winding up of a company registered in Scotland, by affidavit.".
 - (3) In section 99 (directors to lay statement of affairs before creditors)—
 - (a) in subsection (2) omit "shall be verified by affidavit by some or all of the directors and";
 - (b) after that subsection insert—
 - "(2A) The statement as to the affairs of the company shall be verified by some or all of the directors—
 - (a) in the case of a winding up of a company registered in England and Wales, by a statement of truth; and
 - (b) in the case of a winding up of a company registered in Scotland, by affidavit.";
 - (c) in subsection (3)(a) for "or (2)" substitute ", (2) or (2A)".
 - (4) In section 131 (company's statement of affairs)—
 - (a) in subsection (2) omit "shall be verified by affidavit by the persons required to submit it and"; and
 - (b) after that subsection, insert—
 - "(2A) The statement shall be verified by the persons required to submit it—
 - (a) in the case of an appointment of a provisional liquidator or a winding up by the court in England and Wales, by a statement of truth; and
 - (b) in the case of an appointment of a provisional liquidator or a winding up by the court in Scotland, by affidavit.".
- (5) In section 166(5)(b) (application to court where default in complying with section 98 or 99) for "or (2)" substitute ", (2) or (2A)".

- (6) In section 236 (inquiry into company's dealings, etc)—
 - (a) in subsection (3), for "an affidavit to the court containing" substitute "to the court"; and
 - (b) after that subsection insert—
 - "(3A) An account submitted to the court under subsection (3) must be contained in—
 - (a) a witness statement verified by a statement of truth (in England and Wales), and
 - (b) an affidavit (in Scotland).".
- (7) In section 366(1) (inquiry into bankrupt's dealings and property)(1) omit "an affidavit" and substitute "a witness statement verified by a statement of truth".