## SOLICITORS ADMISSION AND TRAINING (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2008

The Council of the Law Society of Northern Ireland in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Articles 6 and 74(1) of the Solicitors (Northern Ireland) Order 1976 (as amended) and all other powers enabling it in that behalf and with the concurrence of the Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland hereby makes the following Regulations:

- These Regulations may be cited as the Solicitors Admission and Training (Amendment) Regulations 2008 and shall come into force on the 1st day of September 2008.
- These Regulations are supplemental to the Solicitors Admission and Training Regulations 1988<sup>a</sup> (the principal Regulations) and shall be interpreted and construed accordingly.
- 3. The principal Regulations are amended as follows:
  - a. in Regulation 2 paragraph (2)(a) after the definition of "the Institute" insert:
    - "the Graduate School" means the Graduate School of Professional Legal Education of the University of Ulster.";
  - b. in Regulation 8 paragraph (1)(b) after "the Institute" insert "or the Graduate School";
  - c. in Regulation 8 paragraph (2)(c) after "the Institute" insert "or the Graduate School";
  - d. for Regulation 10 there shall be substituted the following:
  - "10 (1) All registered students to whom Regulation 8(1) or (2) applies:
    - (a) shall serve to the satisfaction of the Committee under Indentures of Apprenticeship for a period of two years beginning on I September of the year in which they are registered, such period to include the time spent at the Institute or the Graduate School; and
    - (b) shall attend such lectures or courses of study and present themselves for and achieve passes in such examinations in such additional subjects as the Society may from time to time determine.
    - (2) In the event of any registered student to whom 8(1) or 8(2) applies:
      - (a) being unsuccessful in the main and supplementary examinations of the Institute or the Graduate School; and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> As amended by the Solicitors Admission and Training (Amendment) Regulations 1994

(b) being required or permitted by the review or appeal processes applicable from time to time to the Institute or the Graduate School, to re-attend the relevant course or any part thereof and, or in the alternative, to retake the final examinations or any part thereof;

such registered student shall serve to the satisfaction of the Committee under Indentures of Apprenticeship for such further period as the Committee may determine.

- (3) All other registered students shall comply with such conditions as from time to time may be laid down by the Committee and in particular:
  - (a) shall serve to the satisfaction of the Committee under Indentures of Apprenticeship for such period, (if any), not exceeding four years, as the Committee may in any individual case or in relation to any class of applicant under Regulation 8(3), (4) or (5) decide, upon such conditions as the Society may from time to time determine;
  - (b) shall attend such courses of study and in such subjects as the Committee may in any individual case or in relation to any class of applicant under Regulation 8(3), (4) or (5) may require; and
  - (c) shall present themselves for and achieve passes in such examinations and in such subjects as the Committee may in any individual case or in relation to any class of applicant under Regulation 8(3), (4) or (5) may direct. ";
- e. in Regulation 12 after "the Institute" insert "or the Graduate School"; and
- f. in Regulation 15 paragraph (2)(a) after "from the Institute" insert "or a Post Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice from the Graduate School".

I certify that this is a true copy of the Regulations as made by the Council on the  $2^{\rm nd}$  day of April 2008.

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Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland.

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