

SOLICITORS TRAINING (PRACTICE MANAGEMENT COURSE)
REGULATIONS 1995

The Council of the Law Society of Northern Ireland in exercise of its powers under Article 6 and Article 74(l) of the Solicitors (Northern Ireland) Order 1976 as amended by the Solicitors (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1989 and all powers enabling it in that behalf and with the concurrence of the Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland hereby makes the following Regulations.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Solicitors Training (Practice Management Course) Regulations 1995 and shall come into force on the 30th day of August 1995.

2. (i) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 shall apply to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to a statutory instrument.

(ii) In these Regulations the following expressions shall have the following meanings respectively:-

“the Order” means the Solicitors (Northern Ireland) Order 1976 as amended by the Solicitors (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1989.

“the Council” means the Council of the Law Society of Northern Ireland.

“solicitor” means a solicitor of the Supreme Court.

“Practice Management Course” means a course of practical training in the management of a solicitor’s practice, the duration, form and content of which shall be prescribed by the Council from

time to time.

“principal” means a solicitor who is a sole practitioner or is a partner in a firm of two or more solicitors.

“practice” means the business of a sole practitioner or a firm of two or more solicitors.

3. A solicitor who becomes a principal for the first time shall, within a period not exceeding 6 months after the date on which he becomes such, be obliged to attend a Practice Management Course unless he has attended a Practice Management Course within the twelve months preceding that date.
4. Breach of these Regulations may be treated as professional misconduct for the purposes of Article 44 of the Order.
5. The Council shall have the power to waive any of the provisions of these Regulations in any particular circumstances or case.