

Justice Committee

Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 2007

Letter from the Convener to the Cabinet Secretary for Justice

The Justice Committee wrote to you in September 2012 inviting you to respond to concerns raised by the Scottish Legal Complaints Commission (SLCC) regarding how certain aspects of the Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 2007 are working in practice.

On 23 April 2013, the Committee considered your response of 1 November 2012 indicating that the SLCC and Law Society of Scotland were “developing a consensual approach to reach an agreement on the key improvements required to this legislation” and were discussing these proposals with other bodies, such as Which? and Citizens Advice Scotland. The Committee noted your offer to provide an update as soon as you have considered any proposed legislative changes arising from these discussions.

The Committee therefore agreed to write to you again to ask whether you are now in a position to provide an update on these discussions and consequent proposals.

I would be grateful for a response by Wednesday 22 May.

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