

## COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

### Purpose

1. To invite the Council to consider and approve changes to Committee membership.

### Discussion

2. The Council's Standing Orders make provision for the appointment of committee members.

#### *Committee membership for Council members*

3. Council members are normally also appointed to serve on one of the Council's Committees. Standing Order 2.5 provides that a Council member's period of appointment to a committee will run concurrently with their appointment to the Council.
4. As members are aware, two new solicitor members have been appointed to the Council and took up post on 16 October 2017. Jacqueline Harris has been re-appointed for a further three year period and accordingly her appointment to the Rules Rewrite Committee will run concurrently with that appointment.
5. Elena Fry is a new appointment to the Council. Lord Burns, Chair of the Costs and Funding Committee, and the Lord President agree that the Committee would benefit from her knowledge and experience.
6. **Members are invited to approve the appointment of Elena Fry to the Costs and Funding Committee.**

#### *General committee membership – Personal Injury Committee*

7. The new solicitor appointments to the Council follow an open and competitive recruitment exercise held by the Lord President. During that time, the Lord President took the opportunity to review solicitor representation at committee level generally. The Lord President, in consultation with Lord Armstrong as Chair of the Committee, now seeks to nominate Campbell Normand as a new solicitor member of the Personal Injury Committee.

- 8. Members are invited to approve the appointment of Campbell Normand to the Personal Injury Committee.**

#### **Recommendation**

- 9. The Council is invited to approve the appointments of:**
  - Elena Fry to the Costs and Funding Committee; and**
  - Campbell Normand to the Personal Injury Committee.**

**Scottish Civil Justice Council Secretariat**

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