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Legal Member Appointed to Scottish Criminal Cases Review Commission

The Cabinet Secretary for Justice today announced the appointment of Daniel Scullion as a Legal Member of the Scottish Criminal Cases Review Commission.

LEGAL MEMBER

Daniel Scullion was a Solicitor/Advocate in Glasgow for more than 20 years specialising in criminal law. He obtained rights of audience in the High Court of Judiciary in 1994. In May 2005, he was appointed a full-time Sheriff and sat as a resident Sheriff at Hamilton Sheriff Court from 2005 until July 2012.

In 2011, Daniel was appointed by the Cabinet Secretary for Justice as a Member of the Commission on Women Offenders, which reported in April 2012. He was a resident Sheriff at Glasgow Sheriff Court from July 2012 until his retirement from Office at the end of May 2019. For the last 30 months of his time in Glasgow, Daniel was one of the core team of Sheriffs designated by the Sheriff Principal to manage solemn criminal business in the court.

APPOINTMENT

This appointment will be for four years and runs from 1st October 2019 to 30th September 2023.

This appointment is regulated by the Ethical Standards Commissioner.

REMUNERATION

This appointment is part-time and attracts a remuneration of £252 per day for a time commitment of up to four days per month.

OTHER MINISTERIAL APPOINTMENTS

Daniel Scullion does not hold any other public appointments.

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

All appointments are made on merit and political activity plays no part in the selection process. However, in accordance with the original Nolan recommendations, there is a requirement for appointees' political activity within the last five years (if there is any to be declared) to be made public.

Daniel Scullion has had no political activity within the last five years.

BACKGROUND

The Scottish Criminal Cases Review Commission is a public body which was established in April 1999 by an Act of Parliament.

The Commission's role is to consider alleged miscarriages of justice and if, after proper investigation it believes that i) a miscarriage of justice may have occurred and ii) that it is in the interests of justice that a reference should be made, it may refer a case to the High Court for determination.

More information about the Commission can be found on their website at <http://www.sccrc.org.uk/>.