

## SCOTTISH SOLICITORS' DISCIPLINE TRIBUNAL

## APPOINTMENT OF NON-LAWYER MEMBERS

The Lord President of the Court of Session wishes to appoint three non-lawyer members to the Scottish Solicitors' Discipline Tribunal (SSDT). The Scottish Solicitors' Discipline Tribunal is an independent body that deals with serious disciplinary issues within the Scottish legal profession.

Non-lawyer members form an essential part of the Discipline Tribunal. Successful applicants will be members of a tribunal that hear complaints of professional misconduct against individual solicitors, applications for restoration to the Roll of Solicitors in Scotland and appeals in relation to unsatisfactory professional conduct findings made by the Law Society of Scotland. Successful applicants will, with the solicitor members, participate in the decision-making process to consider matters referred to the Tribunal.

If you are looking for a rewarding and worthwhile opportunity, we would like to hear from you. Applications are invited from a wide range of people who have an interest in public service.

Tribunal hearings usually take place in Edinburgh. Some business is conducted online by video conference. You may sit between 4 to 8 days a year, depending on your availability and the Tribunal's caseload. Members currently receive £296.70 per day to prepare for and attend a hearing, and expenses. Training is provided to members.

It is anticipated that these appointments will commence in January 2024 for a period of five years, with the possibility of re-appointment.

Further information can be found in the candidate information booklet.

As part of the recruitment process an online event will be held on 20 September 2023 at 4pm. The event will be attended by members of the SSDT and will give you an insight into the role of a non-lawyer member. The application process will also be discussed. If you wish to join the event please register here.

To apply for this appointment please set out in writing using the application form and no more than 400 words per criterion, how your skills and knowledge (drawing on either your working or personal life) meet the essential and desirable criteria set out in

the candidate information booklet. Please note that job titles etc. on their own will not be taken as evidence of meeting criteria. Please include in your letter of application your contact details (full name, address, telephone number and email address).

The application form should be submitted to: <a href="mailto:judicialofficeforscotland@scotcourts.gov.uk">judicialofficeforscotland@scotcourts.gov.uk</a>

Or by post to:

Mr Ryan Gare
Deputy Head of Strategy & Governance
Parliament House
Edinburgh
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The closing date is 5pm, 20th October 2023

If you require a reasonable adjustment at any stage of the appointments process or if require further support with your application, please contact Ryan using the above details.

It is anticipated that interviews will take place the week commencing 20<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

Please note that these posts are appointments and not positions of employment.