



Judiciary and Courts (Scotland) Act 2008

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PART 2

THE JUDICIARY

CHAPTER 3

JUDICIAL APPOINTMENTS

[^{F1}Other Court of Session judges

[^{F1}20A Qualification of certain individuals for appointment as Court of Session judge

- (1) An individual is qualified for appointment as a judge of the Court of Session if the individual—
- (a) immediately before the appointment—
 - (i) held the office of sheriff principal or sheriff, and
 - (ii) had held office as either sheriff principal or sheriff throughout the period of 5 years immediately preceding the appointment, or
 - (b) at the time of appointment—
 - (i) is a solicitor having a right of audience in the Court of Session or the High Court of Justiciary under section 25A of the Solicitors (Scotland) Act 1980 (rights of audience), and
 - (ii) has been such a solicitor throughout the period of 5 years immediately preceding the appointment.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not affect an individual's qualification for appointment as a judge of the Court of Session by virtue of article xix of the Union with England Act 1707.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 20A-20G and preceding cross-heading substituted for ss. 21-23 (1.4.2015) by [Courts Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2014 \(asp 18\)](#), **ss. 123, 138(2)**; [S.S.I. 2015/77](#), art. 2(2)(3), Sch.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Judiciary and Courts (Scotland) Act 2008, Section 20A.