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You should ensure that all colleagues who undertake legal aid work in your firm - both civil and criminal - are made aware of the content of this mailshot

LEGAL AID ARRANGEMENTS FOR G8 SUMMIT

During the week of the G8 Summit, we have arranged for additional duty solicitor cover in a number of Sheriff Courts which could well have additional custody cases to deal with. This includes Edinburgh, Glasgow, Hamilton, Dumbarton, Paisley, Greenock, Stirling, Perth, Falkirk, Dundee, and Cupar Sheriff Courts.

We also plan to have staff present in some of the busier courts to assist the processing of custody cases, and deal with urgent legal aid queries and urgent applications, if required. During normal office hours, our criminal applications staff will also be available to deal with urgent legal aid matters as usual.

We are also operating an expanded out of hours service with additional staff on call to deal with any legal aid queries from Saturday 2 July to Thursday 14 July 2005. These numbers can also be used should you not be able to get through to the Board's normal telephone numbers:

Legal Aid G8 Co-ordinator

Janet Cathcart 07900 052505

Advice and Assistance – Urgent Increases

Irene Munro 07711 424344
Janet Cathcart 07900 052505
Alison Craig 07789 617397
Corrine Anderson 07919 394410

General Urgent Criminal Matters (urgent sanctions, Regulation 15 cover etc)

Lindsay Frame 07917 084476
Lynsey Stoddart 07881 840273
Carol Moffat 07789 617380

Glasgow Court Officers

Sheriff Court – Gordon Doig 07795 541620
District Court – Jim Huxtable 07786 027882

General Urgent Civil Matters (urgent sanctions, SU4 cover etc)

Catriona Whyte 07789 617356

(Please note these are temporary numbers that will cease to operate after 14 July 2005).