



Register of interests of members

The Scottish Legal Aid Board

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Scottish Legal Aid Board

Members register of interests

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Member's name: Ray Macfarlane
Date of last review: March 2024

1. Remuneration

Employer	Nature of role	Allowances received	Frequency of undertaking
National Heritage Memorial Fund and National Lottery Heritage Fund	Deputy Chairman and Scotland Trustee		

2. Related undertakings/other roles

Name and registered number of organisation	Relationship to organisation noted above	Nature of role	Frequency of undertaking
No registered interests			

3. Contracts

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No registered interests		

4. Election expenses

N/A for Board members of SLAB.

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5. Houses, land and buildings

Name of organisation	Nature of contract
No registered interests	

6. Interest in shares and securities

Name of company where 1% of the issued share capital is owned, or value of shares exceed £25,000
No registered interests

7. Gifts and hospitality

Detail of gift/hospitality	Name of donor and any organisation represented by that person	Date received
No registered interests		

8. Non-financial interests

Name of organisation	Position	Description of body
Museums Galleries Scotland	Chairman	National development body for Scotland's museums and galleries.
Hopetoun Foundation	Chairman of the Trustees	Preservation and conservation of Hopetoun house, facilitating public access for educational use.
Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo	Trustee	Annual series performance by British Armed Forces, Commonwealth and international military bands on Edinburgh Castle's Esplanade.

9. Close family members

Nature of relationship	Organisation
N/A	

Member's name:
Date of last review:

Lesley Ward
March 2024

1. Remuneration

Employer	Nature of role	Allowances received	Frequency of undertaking
Mental Health Tribunal for Scotland	Legal Convener		
First Tier Tribunal Housing and Property Chamber	Legal member		
First-tier Social Entitlement Chamber	Judge		
Social Security Chamber in Scotland	Legal member		

2. Related undertakings/other roles

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Scottish Council on Human Bioethics	Director	Independent charitable organisation composed of professionals from various disciplines associated with medical ethics.

9. Close family members

Nature of relationship	Organisation
N/A	

Member's name:
Date of last review:

Sarah O'Neill
March 2024

1. Remuneration

Employer	Nature of role	Allowances received	Frequency of undertaking
Sarah O'Neill Consulting (consumer and legal policy)	Director		
First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Housing and Property Chamber)	Legal member		
First-tier Tribunal for Scotland (Social Security Chamber)	Legal member		
Consumer Scotland	Assistant Director, Legal Issues (Temporary).		

2. Related undertakings/other roles

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Name of organisation	Position	Description of body
Scottish Mediation Network	Member	Professional body for mediators in Scotland.
Law Society of Scotland	Member (non-practising)	Professional governing body for Scottish solicitors.

9. Close family members

Nature of relationship	Organisation
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N/A	
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Member's name:
Date of last review:

David Sheldon KC
March 2024

1. Remuneration

Employer	Nature of role	Allowances received	Frequency of undertaking
Self Employed	King's Counsel		

2. Related undertakings/other roles

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Liberal Democrats	Adjudicator in disciplinary and complaints matters	Liberal political party in the UK.

9. Close family members

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Member's name:
Date of last review:

Brigid Whoriskey
March 2024

1. Remuneration

Employer	Nature of role	Allowances received	Frequency of undertaking
Envision Business Solutions Ltd (executive coaching and management consultancy)	Managing Director		

2. Related undertakings/other roles

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Causeway Business Exchange Ltd.	Co-Chair	Not-for-profit business membership organisation that connects professionals from across Ireland, Northern Ireland, Scotland and beyond.
Tong-Len UK.	Trustee	Charitable Trust. Help displaced communities in North India achieve a secure and sustainable future by addressing the root causes of their poverty.

Close family members

Nature of relationship	Organisation
N/A	

Member's name:
Date of last review:

Gerry Bann
March 2024

1. Remuneration

Employer	Nature of role	Allowances received	Frequency of undertaking
Adams Whyte Solicitors	Partner and Solicitor		

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8. Non-financial interests

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The Law Society of Scotland	Member	Professional governing body for Scottish solicitors.
The Faculty of West Lothian Solicitors	Member	Geographical group of solicitor members.
Scottish Solicitors Bar Association	Member	Organisation formed to represent and promote the interests of criminal defence solicitors across Scotland.

9. Close family members

Nature of relationship	Organisation
N/A	

Member's name:
Date of last review:

Brian Baverstock
March 2024

1. Remuneration

Employer	Nature of role	Allowances received	Frequency of undertaking
Caledonia Consultancy and Training	Managing Director		
On Board Training and Consultancy Ltd	Associate Director		
Scottish Fire and Rescue Service	Board member		
Scottish Rail Holdings Ltd.	Board member		.

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9. Close family members

Nature of relationship	Organisation
N/A	

Member's name:
Date of last review:

Stephen Humphreys
March 2024

1. Remuneration

Employer	Nature of business	Nature of role	Allowances received	Frequency of undertaking
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2. Related undertakings/other roles

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No registered interests			

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8. Non-financial interests

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No registered interests		

9. Close family members

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Member's name:
Date of last review:

Sheriff John Morris KC
March 2024

1. Remuneration

Employer	Nature of role	Allowances received	Frequency of undertaking
Scottish Court and Tribunal Service	Sheriff and Temporary Judge		
Law Society of Scotland	External Examiner		
Faculty of Advocates (Professional Ethics)	External Examiner		

2. Related undertakings/other roles

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No registered interests			

3. Contracts

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8. Non-financial interests

Name of organisation	Position	Description of body
Scottish Wildlife Trust	Board of Trustees	Registered charity conserving Scotland's wildlife and natural environment.

9. Close family members

Nature of relationship	Organisation
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Member's name: Raymond McMenamin
Date of last review: March 2024

1. Remuneration

Employer	Nature of role	Allowances received	Frequency of undertaking
Scottish Government: Scottish Criminal Cases Review Commission	Board member		

2. Related undertakings/other roles

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3. Contracts

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8. Non-financial interests

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Society of Solicitors in The Supreme Courts	Member	Voluntary professional association of solicitors in Scotland, representing lawyers who practise in and around the College of Justice.

9. Close family members

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Member's name:
Date of last review:

Gavin Stevenson
March 2024

1. Remuneration

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8. Non-financial interests

Name of organisation	Position	Description of body
Crichton Foundation	Trustee	Education charitable trust awards student grants to support learning

9. Close family members

Nature of relationship	Organisation
N/A	

Member's name:
Date of last review:

Judith Robertson
March 2024

1. Remuneration

Employer	Nature of role	Allowances received	Frequency of undertaking
Befrienders Highland	Executive Director		21 hours/week

2. Related undertakings/other roles

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8. Non-financial interests

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Barings Foundation	Trustee	UK and International grant making body covering human rights, arts and mental health and international development

9. Close family members

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