PUBLIC PETITIONS COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF PE1479 QUESTIONS / ISSUES ARISING FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS

TUESDAY 28 MAY 2013

Scottish Government—

- What are your views on what the petition seeks?
- What is your view on the petitioners' call that there should be no time limit at all?
- What is your view that the complaints procedure set up by the Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 2007 needs to be reviewed?

Scottish Legal Complaints Commission—

- What are your views on what the petition seeks?
- What is your view on the petitioners' call that there should be no time limit at all?
- The rules explain that a complaint will not be accepted (unless the Commission considers that the circumstances are exceptional) if it is made more than one year after the suggested misconduct or inadequate service has occurred. What were the criteria used to decide on the time limit of one year? What circumstances are considered to be exceptional?

Mental Welfare Commission for Scotland— The Scottish Association for Mental Health— The Consultation & Advocacy Promotion Service— Penumbra—

• The Committee draws your attention to the evidence received by this Committee on the wider mental health issues (Official Report, cols. 1398 - 1399). What are your views on these points and on what the petition seeks?