Draft Regulations laid before Parliament under section 25(9) of the Access to Justice Act 1999, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

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LEGAL SERVICES COMMISSION, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Criminal Defence Service (Very High Cost Cases) Regulations 2007

Made - - - - 2007

Coming into force in accordance with regulation 1

The Lord Chancellor makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 15(5) of the Access to Justice Act 1999(**1**).

In accordance with section 25(9) of that Act, a draft of these Regulations has been laid before Parliament and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Criminal Defence Service (Very High Cost Cases) Regulations 2007 and come into force on the day after the day on which they are made.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

"the Act" means the Access to Justice Act 1999;

"the Commission" means the Legal Services Commission established under section 1 of the Act;

"representation order" means a document granting a right to representation;

"Very High Cost Case" means a case in which a representation order has been granted and which the Commission classifies as a very high cost case on the grounds that—

(**1**) 1999 c.22. "Regulations" is defined in section 26 of the Act as regulations made by the Lord Chancellor. The reference to the Lord Chancellor was changed to the Secretary of State by the Secretary of State for Constitutional Affairs Order 2003 (S.I. 2003/1887) and was changed back to the Lord Chancellor by the Transfer of Functions (Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State) Order 2005 (S.I. 2005/3429).