

## **THE SOLICITORS PRACTICE REGULATIONS 1987 (AS AMENDED) REG 16 & 17**

- 16 (1) A solicitor shall not join or act in association with any organisation or person not being a practising solicitor whose business or any part of whose business is to make, support or prosecute whether by action or otherwise and whether by a solicitor or agent or otherwise claims arising as a result of death or personal injury in such circumstances that such person or organisation solicits or receives any payment, gift or benefit in respect of such claims nor shall a solicitor act in respect of any such claim for any client introduced to him by such person or organisation.
- (2) A solicitor shall not with regard to any such claim knowingly act for any client introduced or referred to him by any person or organisation whose connection with such client arises from solicitation in respect of the cause of any such claim
- (3) It shall be the duty of a solicitor to make reasonable inquiry before accepting instructions in respect of any such claim for the purpose of ascertaining whether the acceptance of such instructions will involve a contravention of the provisions of paragraph (1) or (2) of this regulation.
- 17 A solicitor shall not accept instructions in respect of any claim or in relation to any matter in circumstances or under any arrangement whereby he will receive, in respect of such claim or matter a contingency fee; and a solicitor shall not make any agreement with his client for payment of his fees in respect of contentious business done or to be done by way of a gross sum commission or percentage otherwise than in accordance with the Attorneys and Solicitors Act 1870 or any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof.