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## ARRANGEMENTS ON DEATH OF SOLE PRINCIPAL

## Amendments to Solicitors' Practice Rules and Foreign Lawyers Practice Rules

- 1. Reference is made to Circulars 00-128(SD) and 00-285(SD) which announced forthcoming amendments to the Solicitors' Practice Rules and the Foreign Lawyers Practice Rules. The amendments will require sole principals to provide information to the Law Society regarding the location of their wills and the identity and contact details of their executors and the solicitor or foreign lawyer appointed to manage their practices.
- 2. New rule 5AA of the Solicitors' Practice Rules and new rule 9A of the Foreign Lawyers Practice Rules will come into effect on 29 September 2000.
- 3. The Law Society has issued a form to each firm to enable the necessary particulars to be provided to the Society by those solicitors and foreign lawyers who fall within the ambit of the new rules by 17 October 2000.
- The new rules are attached to Circular 00-309. 4.

Any member or associate member who requires advice on the above amendments may telephone the Assistant Director of Regulation and Guidance on 2846 0503.