## **CHAPTER 54**

## APPLICATIONS AND REFERENCESUNDER THE DEFAMATION ACT 1996

## Form of application to court where proceedings have been taken

**54.1.-**(1) An application to the court under section 3 of the Defamation Act 1996 (which relates to offers to make amends) where proceedings for defamation have been taken shall be by minute lodged in the process of those proceedings.

- (2) A minute lodged under paragraph (1) shall set out-
  - (a) the questions to be determined by the court; and
  - (b) the contentions of the minuter,

and shall have appended to it a copy of the offer to make amends.

## Form of application to court where proceedings have not been taken

**54.2** An application to the court under the said section 3 where proceedings for defamation have not been taken shall be by petition presented in the Outer House.