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The United Kingdom Central Council for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 12 and 12A of the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Act 1979 (a), hereby makes the following rules:

## **PART I**

## Citation and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These rules may be cited as the Nurses. Midwives and Health Visitors (Professional Conduct) Rules 1993.
- (2) For the purposes of these rules the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them except where the context otherwise requires-
  - (a) "the Act" means the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Act 1979;
  - (b) "applicant" means a former practitioner who has been removed from the register, or whose registration has been suspended, and who is making an application for her name to be restored to the register, or for the termination of such suspension;
  - (c) "complainant" means a body or person by whom a complaint has been made to the Council alleging that a practitioner has been guilty of misconduct or that her fitness to practise is seriously impaired by reason of her physical or mental condition;
  - (d) "the Conduct Committee" means the Professional Conduct Committee of the Council constituted under rule 12;
  - (e) "the Council" means the United Kingdom Central Council for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting;
  - (f) "the Council's officer" means any employee of the Council serving the Preliminary Proceedings Committee, the Conduct Committee, the professional screeners or the Health Committee;
  - (g) "the Vice-President" means the Vice-President of the Council;
  - (h) "the Health Committee" means the Health Committee of the Council constituted under rule 29;
  - (i) "legal assessor" means a person appointed to be a legal assessor under the provisions of paragraph 3(1) of Schedule 3 to the Act;
  - (j) "medical examiners" means the persons referred to in the Second Schedule to these rules;
  - (k) "misconduct" means conduct unworthy of a registered nurse, midwife or health visitor, as the case may be, and includes obtaining registration by fraud;
  - (1) "Notice of Inquiry" means the notice referred to in rule 13(1);
  - (m) "Notice of Proceedings" means the notice referred to in rule 9(1)(a);
  - (n) "Notice of Referral" means the notice referred to in rule 35(1);

<sup>(</sup>a) Section 12 was amended by sections 7 and 8 of the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Act 1992 (c.16) and section 12A was inserted by section 9 of that Act.