



**Scottish
Civil Justice
Council**

POLICY NOTE

Act of Sederunt (Electronic Signature and Electronic Transmission of Documents) 2025

Introduction

1. The Act of Sederunt enables civil court business to be transacted electronically, and extends the relevant provisions contained in the Coronavirus (Recovery and Reform) (Scotland) Act 2022,¹ which is due to expire on 30 November 2025.
2. The Act of Sederunt does not mandate electronic means as the only method for transacting with the court. Lodging of documents in paper format is still acceptable where permitted by existing court rules or required by any other statute.
3. There are no new policy matters which emerge from the continuation of these provisions.

Scope

4. The Act of Sederunt does not apply to commissary business. It applies to all other court rules in Scotland and broadly mirrors provisions already in force over the last five years.

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¹ [Coronavirus \(Recovery and Reform\) \(Scotland\) Act 2022](#)