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The area covers approximately 12 square miles in the County of Midlothian, and maps showing boundaries of the area may be inspected on application to the Ministry of Fuel and Power, Petroleum Division, Thames House South, Millbank, S.W.1.

*Civil Service Commission, 30th September, 1955.*

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice in pursuance of Clause 13 of the General Regulations made under the Order-in-Council of the 22nd July, 1920, that with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, they have prescribed that until further notice candidates at examinations for establishment in the Typing Grades held on or after the 22nd November, 1955, under the arrangements set out in Establishments Circular No. 11/54 shall be exempted from the payment of any fee in respect of their examination or of the issue of a Certificate of Qualification in their favour.

*Civil Service Commission, 30th September, 1955.*

The Civil Service Commissioners give notice that an Open Competition for the recruitment of young men who have completed a period of compulsory service in H.M. Forces to Grade 6 posts in Branch B of the Foreign Service will be held, the written examination commencing on 13th December, 1955, under the regulations dated the 4th March, 1955, and published in the London Gazette of the same date.

No person will be admitted to the Competition from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received, on or before 20th October, 1955, an application on the prescribed form which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

*Civil Service Commission, 30th September, 1955.*

The Civil Service Commissioners give notice that an Open Competition for the recruitment of young men who have completed a period of compulsory service in H.M. Forces to the Clerical Classes (General and Departmental) of the Home Civil Service will be held, the written examination commencing on 13th December, 1955, under the regulations dated the 4th March, 1955, and published in the London Gazette of the same date.

No person will be admitted to the Competition from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received, on or before 20th October, 1955, an application on the prescribed form which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

*Civil Service Commission, 30th September, 1955.*

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that the following Regulations are published with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of H.M. Treasury, viz. :—

**REGULATIONS FOR THE RECRUITMENT BY OPEN COMPETITION OF LEGAL ASSISTANTS (ENGLAND) IN THE HOME CIVIL SERVICE.**

**1. Age.**

Candidates must be at least 26 and under 40 years of age on 1st October of the year in which the competition is held, except that

(i) a candidate who has served or is serving on a regular (including a regular short-service) engagement in H.M. Forces may deduct from his actual age the period of such service rendered before 1st October of the year in which the competition is held; and

(ii) on this occasion candidates over the age of 40 on the 1st October, 1955, will be admitted to the competition if they have had at least three years' temporary service in a legal post in a Government Department immediately prior to 1st October, 1955.

**2. Sex and Marriage.**

(i) Both men and women may compete under these Regulations.

(ii) Married women who have formerly been established civil servants and have drawn marriage gratuity (other than those who resigned compulsorily on marriage and whose resignation took effect before 15th October, 1946, or who are widows or divorced, or who are separated from their husbands, or whose

husbands suffer without hope of recovery from total physical or mental incapacity) will not be eligible unless they undertake to refund on appointment the marriage gratuity paid. Provided that this undertaking will not be required if the break between the first period of service (including any period of unestablished service immediately following the period in respect of which the gratuity was paid) and the date of re-establishment is more than seven years.

**3. Nationality.**

Candidates must be British subjects. They must also satisfy one of the following conditions :—

(a) If natural-born British subjects, they must either :—

(i) have at least one parent who is or was at death a British subject; or

(ii) have resided in Her Majesty's dominions and/or been employed elsewhere in the service of the Crown for at least five years out of the last eight years preceding the date of their appointment.

(b) If naturalised British subjects, they must have resided in Her Majesty's dominions and/or been employed elsewhere in the service of the Crown for at least five years out of the last eight years preceding the date of their appointment.

(c) If not qualified under (a) or (b) of this paragraph they must satisfy the Commissioners that they are so closely connected with Her Majesty's dominions either by ancestry, upbringing or residence, or by reason of national service, that an exception may properly be made in their favour.

**4. Qualifications.**

Candidates must on the closing date for the receipt of applications be barristers called to the English bar or solicitors admitted in England. Provided that for the vacancy which is expected to arise in the Judge Advocate General's Office, advocates of the Scottish Bar can be considered if they have a sound knowledge of English criminal law. A period in chambers, experience at the bar or in a solicitor's office, or other legal experience (particularly experience of work similar to that carried out in the legal branches of one or more of the departments in which vacancies are to be filled) will be an advantage.

**5. Health and Character.**

Successful candidates must satisfy the Commissioners as to their health and character.

**6. Competition.**

The candidates who appear from their applications to have the best qualifications and experience will be invited to interview in London before a Selection Board, which will recommend to the Civil Service Commissioners those considered most suitable for appointment. The Selection Board will take into consideration the candidates' record of education and experience, any recommendation from persons named by the candidates as having direct knowledge of their work, and the personal qualities of the candidates as shown at the interview; and on their estimation of all the above facts they will frame their recommendations. The Board will normally assess a candidate on his suitability for the general duties of the Legal Class, but specialised experience in one or more branches of legal practice will be taken into account. The decision of the Commissioners will be final.

**7. Candidates Trained as Teachers.**

Persons upon whose training for the occupation of teacher public money has been spent cannot be appointed until the consent of the appropriate central education authority (e.g., the Ministry of Education, the Scottish Education Department, the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland), has been notified to the Commissioners.

**8. Assignment.**

The Commissioners will decide to which Department each successful candidate is to be assigned. A candidate who declines to accept the post offered will have no claim to be assigned to another, but will be regarded as having declined appointment. Assignments will be made in accordance with the needs of the public service, but the wishes of candidates will, where possible, be taken into account.

**9. Canvassing.**

Any attempt on the part of candidates to enlist support for their applications through Members of Parliament or other influential persons, except as referees to be named by them in their application forms, will disqualify them for appointment.