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Dear Matthew

Thank you for your letter of 3 February, which enclosed the Scottish Legal Complaint Commission's ("the SLCC") proposed budget and operational plan for 2014-15.

I am pleased to see that the SLCC has been able to freeze the general levy and propose a decrease for some parts of the profession this year. I am sure this will be welcomed by the profession. I also recognise that the SLCC has addressed the operational efficiencies it had identified the year prior and has significantly exceeded its original commitment to reduce non-staffing costs.

As you will be aware, the pressures remain on public spending for all of the public sector and I appreciate that the SLCC is continuing to look at other for ways in which to improve efficiencies. I note the SLCC's key priorities for 2014-15 and am encouraged by the work it is doing with other professional organisations to identify improvements and potential areas for reform.

I look forward to hearing how these discussions progress.

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