

**PART IX**  
**NOTICE OF COURT MEETING**

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
CHANCERY DIVISION  
COMPANIES COURT  
REGISTRAR JAQUES**

**No. 5694 of 2008**

**IN THE MATTER OF SIGNET GROUP PLC**

— and —

**IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 2006**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that by an Order dated 21 July 2008 made in the above matters the Court has directed a meeting to be convened of the holders of Scheme Shares (as defined in the Scheme of Arrangement referred to below) for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, approving (with or without modification) a scheme of arrangement (the “**Scheme of Arrangement**”) proposed to be made between Signet Group plc (the “**Company**”) and the holders of Scheme Shares and that such meeting will be held at Café Royal, 68 Regent Street, London W1B 5EL on Tuesday 19 August 2008 at 11.30 a.m., at which place and time all holders of Scheme Shares are requested to attend.

A copy of the said Scheme of Arrangement and a copy of the explanatory statement required to be furnished pursuant to section 897 of the Companies Act 2006 are incorporated in the document of which this notice forms part.

**Holders of Scheme Shares may vote in person at the said meeting or they may appoint another person, whether a member of the Company or not, as their proxy to attend and vote in their stead. A BLUE form of proxy for use in connection with the meeting is enclosed with this notice. Completion and return of the BLUE form of proxy will not prevent a holder of Scheme Shares who is otherwise entitled to attend and vote at the meeting from attending and voting in person at the meeting, or at any adjournment thereof.**

**Holders of Scheme Shares who hold their Scheme Shares through CREST may appoint a proxy electronically by making a CREST electronic proxy appointment.**

**Holders of Scheme Shares are entitled to appoint a proxy in respect of some or all of their Scheme Shares. A space has been included in the BLUE form of proxy to allow holders of Scheme Shares to specify the number of Scheme Shares in respect of which that proxy is appointed. Holders of Scheme Shares who return the BLUE form of proxy duly executed but leave this space blank will be deemed to have appointed the proxy in respect of all of their Scheme Shares.**

**Holders of Scheme Shares are also entitled to appoint more than one proxy. Holders of Scheme Shares who wish to appoint more than one proxy in respect of their shareholding should contact the Company’s registrar, Capita Registrars, for further BLUE forms of proxy or photocopy the BLUE form of proxy as required. Such holders of Scheme Shares should also read the notes in respect of the appointment of multiple proxies set out in the Notice of General Meeting set out in Part X of the document of which this notice forms part.**

It is requested that the BLUE form of proxy (together with any power of attorney or other authority under which it is signed, or a notarially certified copy of such power or authority) be lodged with the Company’s registrar, Capita Registrars (Proxies), The Registry, 34 Beckenham Road, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4TU not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the said meeting but, if forms are not so lodged they may be handed to the chairman of the meeting before the start of the meeting.

In the case of joint holders of Scheme Shares, the vote of the senior who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, will be accepted to the exclusion of the vote(s) of the other joint holder(s) and, for this purpose, seniority will be determined by the order in which the names stand in the register of members of the Company in respect of the joint holding.

Entitlement to attend and vote at the meeting or any adjournment thereof and the number of votes which may be cast thereat will be determined by reference to the register of members of the Company at 6.00 p.m. on the day which is two days before the date of the meeting or adjourned meeting (as the case may be). In each case, changes to the register of members of the Company after such time shall be disregarded.

By the said Order, the Court has appointed Sir Malcolm Williamson or, failing him, Russell Walls or, failing him Walker Boyd, to act as chairman of the said meeting and has directed the chairman to report the results thereof to the Court.

The said Scheme of Arrangement will be subject to the subsequent sanction of the Court.

Dated 24 July 2008

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