

## PRACTICE STATEMENT

## DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS TO TRIBUNAL CASEWORKERS FIRST-TIER TRIBUNAL (IMMIGRATION AND ASYLUM CHAMBER)

- The Senior President of Tribunals hereby approves that a member of staff appointed under section 40(1) of the Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Act 2007 and designated as a 'Tribunal Caseworker' by the Chamber President may carry out the following functions of the Immigration and Asylum Chamber of the Firsttier Tribunal under the Tribunal Procedure (First-tier Tribunal) (Immigration and Asylum) Rules 2014 to the extent that that Tribunal Caseworker has been authorised to exercise those functions by the Chamber President.
  - a. Case management powers under Rule 4(3)(a), 4(3)(c), 4(3)(d), 4(3)(f), 4(3)(h), 4(3)(i), and 4(3)(k);
  - b. Striking out of an appeal for non payment of fee and reinstatement under Rule 7;
  - c. Treating an appeal as abandoned or finally determined under Rule 16;
  - d. Withdrawal functions under Rule 17 (with the exception of Rule 17(2));
  - e. Notice of appeal functions under Rule 19 (with the exception of Rule 19(7));
  - f. Late notice of appeal under Rule 20;
  - g. Circumstances in which the Tribunal may not accept a notice of appeal under Rule 22;
  - h. Issuing directions consequent upon any failure to comply with the mandatory requirements under Rules 23 and 24 in relation to entry clearance and other cases;
  - i. Clerical mistakes and accidental slips or omissions under Rule 31;
  - j. Bail applications under Rule 38.
- 2. All functions must be exercised in accordance with guidance issued by the Chamber President.
- 3. In accordance with rule 4(3) of the Tribunal Procedure (First Tier Tribunal) (Immigration and Asylum Chamber) Rules 2014, within 14 days after the date that the Tribunal sends notice of a decision made by a Tribunal Caseworker pursuant to an approval under paragraph 1 above to a party, that party may apply in writing to the Tribunal for the decision to be considered afresh by a judge.

4. This practice statement is issued for a further period of six months and a review will take place at the end of the twelve month period.

The Rt. Hon. Sir Ernest Ryder Senior President of Tribunals 14 November 2016