

Legal Services Board – Consultation on Section 80 order

A Response by

The Chartered Institute of Legal Executives (CILEx)

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1. Introduction

- 1.1. The Chartered Institute of Legal Executives (CILEx) is the professional association and governing body for Chartered Legal Executive lawyers, other legal practitioners and paralegals. CILEx represents around 20,000 members, which includes approximately 7,500 fully qualified Chartered Legal Executive lawyers. We are an Approved Regulator (AR) under the Legal Services Act 2007, with regulatory functions discharged through the independent CILEx Regulation Ltd (CRL).
- 1.2. CILEx continually engages in the process of policy and law reform. At the heart of this engagement is public interest, as well as that of the profession. Given the unique role played by Chartered Legal Executives, CILEx considers itself uniquely placed to inform policy and law reform.
- 1.3. As it contributes to policy and law reform, CILEx endeavours to ensure relevant regard is given to equality and human rights, and the need to ensure justice is accessible for those who seek it.

2. General Points

- 2.1. CILEx is supportive of CRL's proposal that ABS licensing decision appeals should be sent to the First Tier Tribunal. This is consistent with the approach taken by the majority of other regulators that have been designated as licencing authorities for ABS and with the Legal Services Board's (LSB) wish for there to be a single appellate body.
- 3. Question 1: Do you have any representations on the draft order?
- 3.1. No.
- 4. Question 2: Does the draft order deliver the CILEx Regulation policy intention of allowing the FTT to be established to hear and determine appeals from decisions made by CILEx Regulation in its capacity as a licensing authority
- 4.1. Yes.
- 5. Questions 3: Do you have any comments on the draft justice impact test, in particular, the costs/benefits estimates and whether any additional costs/benefits should also be identified?
- 5.1. No.

For further details

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