

By email (under s203 of the Legal Services Act 2007)



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Dear Stephen,

**Extension notice issued under Part 3 of Schedule 4 to the Legal Services Act 2007**

This letter is an extension notice issued under paragraph 21(5) of Schedule 4 to the Legal Services Act 2007 (the "Act"). The words used in this extension notice have the meanings given to them in the Act.

On 2 December 2016 we received an application from the Faculty Office on behalf of the Master of the Faculties, for approval of an alteration to its regulatory arrangements relating to its Notaries Practice Rules and its Notaries Qualification Rules. Paragraph 21(4) of Schedule 4 to the Act sets out an initial decision period of 28 days within which the Legal Services Board may make a decision on the application; paragraph 21(5) allows this period to be extended.

We are seeking further clarification of the drafting of the rules and the rationale and evidence base used for the arrangements proposed. Therefore, and in accordance with paragraphs 21(5), (6) and (7) of Schedule 4 to the Act, the Board hereby extends the initial decision period to 90 days from the date of receipt of the application, to 2 March 2017.

If you have any questions in relation to this notice please contact Faye Alessandrello, 020 7271 0060 or [faye.alessandrello@legalservicesboard.org.uk](mailto:faye.alessandrello@legalservicesboard.org.uk).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Neil Buckley', followed by a long horizontal line that curves upwards at the end.

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