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Dear Vanessa

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 10 April 2017 we received an application from the Bar Standards Board to alter its regulatory arrangements. 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 for this period to be extended.

After completing an initial assessment of the application, we have concluded that we need to extend the initial decision period to allow us sufficient time to properly consider the responses to the issues that we have raised.

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 8 July 2017. Although the decision period has been extended to the full 90 days allowed by the Act, we are mindful that you wish to implement these rules in June and will use our best endeavours to complete the application so as to allow this.

If you have any questions in relation to this notice please contact Puja Vadgama (puja.vadgama@legalservicesboard.org.uk, telephone 020 7271 0073).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Neil Buckley', written over a light grey rectangular background.

Neil Buckley
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