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Dear Fran,

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)(b) 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 3 June 2021 we received IPReg's application for the approval of changes to its regulatory arrangements to introduce a sunset clause relating to exemptions afforded to specific historic qualifications. Paragraph 21(4) of Schedule 4 to the Act sets out an initial decision period of 28 days within which the LSB may make a decision on the application; paragraph 21(5) allows for this period to be extended.

The LSB has concluded that it needs to extend the initial decision period to allow sufficient time for IPReg to respond to a request for additional information sent by the LSB. The LSB will also require some time to consider IPReg's response once it has been supplied.

Therefore, and in accordance with paragraphs 21(5), (6) and (7) of Schedule 4 to the Act, the Board considers it appropriate to hereby extend the initial decision period to 90 days from the date on which the application was made. The end of the decision period will therefore be 31 August 2021, although the LSB expects to make a decision before that date.

If you have any questions in relation to this notice, please contact Steve Violet (steve.violet@legalservicesboard.org.uk). A copy of this extension notice will be published on the LSB's website within the next two business days.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Matthew Hill', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

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