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The Life Sentence Commissioners' Rules 2001

Part II

General

Appointment and functions of Panels of Commissioners

- **3.**—(1) The Chairman shall appoint three Commissioners to form a Panel for the purpose of conducting proceedings in relation to a prisoner's case.
- (2) The members of the Panel appointed under paragraph (1) shall include a person who holds a legal qualification under Article 3(2) of the Order.
- (3) The members of the Panel shall, as far as is practicable, include a registered medical practitioner who is a psychiatrist or a chartered psychologist.
- (4) If a member of the Panel to which a case has been allocated is unavailable, the Chairman may nominate another Commissioner to take his place if he considers it necessary to ensure the fair and expeditious conduct of the prisoner's case.