

# **Employment Tribunals Act 1996**

## **1996 CHAPTER 17**

## PART II

### THE EMPLOYMENT APPEAL TRIBUNAL

#### Membership etc.

## 28 Composition of Appeal Tribunal.

- (1) The Appeal Tribunal may sit, in accordance with directions given by the President of the Appeal Tribunal, either as a single tribunal or in two or more divisions concurrently.
- (2) Subject to subsections (3) to (5), proceedings before the Appeal Tribunal shall be heard by a judge and either two or four appointed members, so that in either case there is an equal number—
  - (a) of persons whose knowledge or experience of industrial relations is as representatives of employers, and
  - (b) of persons whose knowledge or experience of industrial relations is as representatives of workers.
- (3) With the consent of the parties, proceedings before the Appeal Tribunal may be heard by a judge and one appointed member or by a judge and three appointed members.
- (4) Proceedings on an appeal on a [<sup>F1</sup>chairman-alone question] shall be heard by a judge alone unless a judge directs that the proceedings shall be heard in accordance with subsections (2) and (3).

[<sup>F2</sup>(4A) In subsection (4) "chairman-alone question" means—

- (a) a question arising from any decision of an employment tribunal that is a decision of—
  - (i) the person mentioned in section 4(1)(a) acting alone, or
  - (ii) any Employment Judge acting alone, or

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- (b) a question arising in any proceedings before an employment tribunal that are proceedings before—
  - (i) the person mentioned in section 4(1)(a) alone, or
  - (ii) any Employment Judge alone.]

#### **Textual Amendments**

- **F1** Words in s. 28(4) substituted (3.11.2008) by Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Act 2007 (c. 15), s. 148, **Sch. 8 para. 46(2)**; S.I. 2008/2696, art. 5(c)(i) (with art. 3)
- F2 S. 28(4A) inserted (3.11.2008) by Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Act 2007 (c. 15), s. 148, Sch. 8 para. 46(3); S.I. 2008/2696, art. 5(c)(i) (with art. 3)
- F3 S. 28(5) repealed (16.7.2001) by 1999 c. 26, ss. 41, 44, Sch. 8 para. 4, Sch. 9(12); S.I. 2001/1187, art. 3(b), Sch. (as amended by S.I. 2001/1461, art. 2(2))

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