## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2008 No. 1738

## The Company Names Adjudicator Rules 2008

Proceedings before the adjudicator

## Procedure for objecting to a company's registered name

- **3.**—(1) An application under section 69(2) shall—
  - (a) be made on the appropriate form;
  - (b) include a concise statement of the grounds on which the application is made;
  - (c) include an address for service in the United Kingdom; and
  - (d) be filed at the Office.
- (2) The adjudicator shall send a copy of the appropriate form to the primary respondent.
- (3) The adjudicator shall specify a period within which the primary respondent must file its defence.
- (4) The primary respondent, before the end of that period, shall file a counter-statement on the appropriate form, otherwise the adjudicator may treat it as not opposing the application and may make an order under section 73(1).
  - (5) In its counter-statement the primary respondent shall—
    - (a) include an address for service in the United Kingdom;
    - (b) include a concise statement of the grounds on which it relies;
    - (c) state which of the allegations in the statement of grounds of the applicant it admits and which it denies; and
    - (d) state which of the allegations it is unable to admit or deny, but which it requires the applicant to prove.
- (6) Any member or director of the primary respondent who is joined as a respondent to the application must be joined before the end of a period specified by the adjudicator.
- (7) The adjudicator shall send a copy of the appropriate form referred to in paragraph (4) to the applicant.