
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2011 No. 2346

**The Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal
(Appeals and Amendment) Rules 2011**

PART 2

Constitution of appeal panels

Composition of panel

3.—(1) A Panel of at least three members of the Tribunal shall be appointed by the Tribunal for the hearing of any appeal.

(2) Unless the President otherwise directs, the majority of the Panel members shall be solicitor members.

Appointment of chairman

4. The chairman of each Panel shall be appointed by the Tribunal and (unless the President determines otherwise) shall be a solicitor member.

Delegation

5.—(1) The duties to be performed by the clerks shall, in addition to the duties listed in rule 3(11) of the 2007 rules, include—

- (a) appointing panels under rule 3(1);
- (b) appointing a chairman of a Panel under rule 4; and
- (c) giving directions under rules 9, 13 and 19(1).

(2) Paragraph (1) is without prejudice to rule 3(11) of the 2007 rules.

(3) No later than the date on which expires the period of 14 days beginning with the date on which the Tribunal sends notice to a party of a decision made by a clerk in exercise of functions of a judicial nature under paragraph (1), that party may send an application in writing to the Tribunal for that decision to be considered afresh by a Panel or a single solicitor member.

(4) The following powers of the Tribunal may be exercised by a single solicitor member—

- (a) giving directions under rules 9, 13, 14(2), (4) and (5), 15 and 19(1);
- (b) taking action under rule 11(2)(a) and (b);
- (c) making a decision under rule 14(1);
- (d) giving consent under rule 16(2).