



**DECISION AND STATEMENT OF REASONS OF MARTIN J.MCALLISTER  
LEGAL MEMBER OF THE FIRST-TIER TRIBUNAL WITH DELEGATED  
POWERS OF THE CHAMBER PRESIDENT**

Under Rule 8 of the First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Housing and Property Chamber Rules of Procedure 2017 ("the Procedure Rules")

in connection with

101H Dempster Street, Greencock, PA15 4ED ("the Property")

**Case Reference:** FTS/HPC/CV/22/3297

Richard Alger ("**the Applicant**")

Corbett and Shields ("**the Applicant's Representative**")

Lauren McCormick ("**the Respondent**")

1. An application, dated 8<sup>th</sup> September 2022, was received from the Applicant's Representative by the First –tier Tribunal for Scotland, Housing and Property Chamber (the FTT). The application was made under Rule 111 of the Procedure Rules. The application sought an order for payment. The Applicant's Representative also submitted an application for service by advertisement.
2. On 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022, the FTT wrote to the Applicant's Representative on a number of matters and sought a response. The Applicant's Representative was asked to provide the following:
  - 2.1 The address of the applicant.
  - 2.2 Evidence of registration in the Scottish Landlord Register.

2.3 The Applicant's Representative was asked to submit a mandate of the Applicant which granted authority to the representative to act on his behalf.

2.4 A copy of a trace report from a tracing agent or sheriff officer.

3. There was no response from the Applicant's Representative and a reminder letter was sent on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022.
4. The letter to the Applicant's Representative dated 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022 stated that, if a response were not received by 8<sup>th</sup> December 2022, the President may consider rejecting the application.
5. The Applicant's Representative has not responded to the request for further information.

## **DECISION**

6. The application was considered in terms of Rules 5 and 8 of the Procedure Rules.

Rule 5 provides

*(1) An application is held to have been made on the date that it is lodged if, on that date, it is lodged in the manner as set out in rules 43, 47 to 50, 55, 59, 61, 65 to 70, 72, 75 to 91, 93 to 95, 98 to 101, 103 or 105 to 111, as appropriate.*

*(2) The Chamber President or another member of the First-tier Tribunal, under the delegated powers of the Chamber President, must determine whether an application has been lodged in the required manner by assessing whether all mandatory requirements for lodgement have been met.*

*(3) If it is determined that an application has not been lodged in the prescribed manner, the Chamber President or another member of the First-tier Tribunal, under the delegated powers of the Chamber President, may request further documents and the application is to be held to be made on the date that the First-tier Tribunal receives the last of any outstanding documents necessary to meet the required manner for lodgement.*

Rule 8 provides

*"Rejection of application*

*8. —(1) The Chamber President or another member of the First-tier Tribunal under the delegated powers of the Chamber President, must reject an application if –*

*(a) they consider that the application is frivolous or vexatious;*

*(b) the dispute to which the application relates has been resolved;*

*(c) they have good reason to believe that it would not be appropriate to accept the application;*

*(d) they consider that the application is being made for a purpose other than a purpose specified in the application; or*

*(e) the applicant has previously made an identical or substantially similar application and in the opinion of the Chamber President or another member of the First-tier Tribunal, under the delegated powers of the Chamber President, there has been no significant change in any material considerations since the identical or substantially similar application was determined.*

*(2) Where the Chamber President, or another member of the First-tier Tribunal, under the delegated powers of the Chamber President, makes a decision under paragraph (1) to reject an application the First-tier Tribunal must notify the applicant and the notification must state the reason for the decision."*

**7. The Tribunal determined that the application should be rejected in terms of Rule 8 (c) of the Rules of Procedure as the Tribunal has good reason to believe that it would not be appropriate to accept the application.**

## **REASONS FOR DECISION**

8. The Applicant's Representative was asked for further information.
9. The information requested was essential for the Tribunal to make a decision as to whether or not to admit the application for determination
10. The Applicant had failed to provide information having been required to do so in terms of Rule 5 (3).

## **What you should do now**

**If you accept the Legal Member's decision, there is no need to reply.**

**If you disagree with this decision:-**

**An applicant aggrieved by the decision of the Chamber President, or any Legal Member acting under delegated powers, may appeal to the Upper Tribunal for Scotland on a point of law only. Before an appeal can be made to the Upper Tribunal, the party must first seek permission to appeal from the First-tier Tribunal. That party must seek permission to appeal within 30 days of the date the decision was sent to them. Information about the appeal procedure can be forwarded to you on request.**

**Martin McAllister**

Martin J. McAllister,  
Legal Member  
First-tier Tribunal  
21<sup>st</sup> December 2022