

IN THE FIRST-TIER TRIBUNAL GENERAL REGULATORY CHAMBER (CHARITY)

Appeal number: CA/2020/0021

BETWEEN:

VINCENT MCBEAN

Appellant

and

THE CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Respondent

DIRECTIONS

Upon the Tribunal issuing the Decision dated 25th February 2021

IT IS FURTHER DIRECTED as follows:

Secondary Disclosure

1. Secondary Disclosure (should that be relevant) shall be submitted by the Respondent before 5pm on 19 March 2021.

Mode of Hearing

- 2. This matter shall be determined by a remote oral hearing.
- 2.1. It is anticipated that the hearing will last one day.
- 2.2. This appeal shall be determined on the first available date after 8th June 2021.

Agreed bundle of documents

3. The parties are to use their best endeavours to agree the contents of a bundle of documents for the Tribunal hearing, in accordance with the arrangements set out below:

- 3.1. By 5pm on 2nd April 2021, the first draft of the index to the hearing bundle is to be prepared by the Respondent and served on the Appellant.
- 3.2. By 5pm on 9th April 2021, the Appellant is to notify the Respondent whether there are any additional documents in their possession that he wishes to add to the bundle. The Appellant is to supply a copy of any documents to the Respondent in PDF or Word format.
- 3.3. A consolidated version of the bundle is to be prepared by the Respondent and forwarded to the Appellant electronically by 5pm on 16th April 2021.

Witness statements

- 4. By 5pm on 7th May 2021, the Appellant is to serve on the Respondent and Tribunal any written witness statements on which he wishes to rely at the hearing or confirm that he will not be calling witness evidence. If the witness statement refers to any documents in the hearing bundle, the relevant page number is to be used in the statement(s) (but this can be done by adding a note to the margin of the witness statement once the page number of the bundle are known).
- 5. By 5pm on 14th May 2021, the Respondent is to serve on the Appellant and Tribunal any written statements on which it wishes to rely at the hearing or to confirm that it will not be calling witness evidence.

Bundle of authorities and statutory materials

- 6. The parties are to use their best endeavours to agree a bundle of authorities and statutory materials in accordance with the directions below. The authorities must only be those specifically referred to in the written submissions.
- 6.1. The first draft of the index to the authorities' bundle is to be prepared by the Respondent and be sent to the Appellant by 5pm on 21st May 2021.
- 6.2. The Appellant is to notify the Respondent whether there are additional materials which he wishes to be included in the authorities bundle by 5pm on 28th May 2021 and provide electronic copies of the documents at the same time.
- 6.3. The index to the consolidated version of the authorities' bundle is to be prepared by the Respondent and provided to the Appellant and Tribunal, by email, no later than ten days before the hearing date.
- 6.4. The Respondent is to prepare and serve a consolidated version of the authorities' bundle (electronically and in hard copy) on the Appellant by no later than seven days before the hearing date.

Skeleton arguments

7. Statements of Case (skeleton arguments) are to be exchanged by the parties and lodged with the Tribunal by e mail, by no later than 10 days before the hearing date.

8. The parties are to use their best endeavours to agree a chronology, a schedule of agreed facts and a list of issues to assist the Tribunal. These are to be sent with the skeleton arguments.

Lodging of hearing bundles with the Tribunal

- 9. A final version of the hearing bundle is to be prepared by the Respondent.
- 10. Electronic copy is to be lodged with the Tribunal by no later than 10 days before the hearing date.

Other

12. The parties have permission to apply to vary these directions or to apply for further directions provided such application is in writing setting out the full reasons for the application and (where applicable) before the time limit for complying with the direction has been reached. Any such application must be served on the opposing party at the same time as it is served on the Tribunal.

Upper Tribunal Judge O'Connor 11 March 2021