



**Appeal number: CA/2014/0004  
CA/2014/0006  
CA/2014/0007**

**FIRST-TIER TRIBUNAL (CHARITY)  
GENERAL REGULATORY CHAMBER**

**JOHN NICHOLSON AND OTHERS**

**Appellants**

**- and -**

**THE CHARITY COMMISSION FOR  
ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Respondent**

**TRIBUNAL: JUDGE ALISON MCKENNA**

**Sitting in Chambers on 23 June 2014**

Having received an application under rule 5 (3) (d) of the Tribunal's Rules on behalf of the charities JNF Charitable Trust (225910), JNF Educational Trust (2902667) and KKL Charity Accounts (1105598) ("the charities")

And the parties having agreed to the admission of the charities' evidence in these proceedings

**IT IS DIRECTED** that

1. The two letters dated 6 June 2014 sent to the Tribunal from solicitors for the charities are admitted as evidence in these appeals pursuant to rule 5 (3) (d) and rule 2 of the Tribunal's Rules;
2. The Appellants have until 4pm on 21 July 2014 to file a Reply, limited to the question of their standing to bring these appeals, following which the Tribunal will issue its ruling on that issue in writing;

3. Fresh directions will be issued in respect of the hearing of the appeals if necessary following the Tribunal's ruling on the issue of standing;
4. The parties have permission to apply for further directions.

### **REASONS**

5. Following the charities' application to submit evidence in these appeals, the parties have indicated to the Tribunal that they have no objections.
6. The Tribunal is satisfied that it would be fair and just to admit the two letters from solicitors to the charities and to take the factual evidence provided into account when deciding the issue of the Appellants' standing to bring these appeals.
7. Mr Nicholson has asked for disclosure of certain documents referred to in the charities' evidence to the Tribunal. I presently doubt that the Tribunal has power to direct disclosure against a non-party, but I am willing to hear further argument on that issue if necessary.
8. I am hopeful that the Charity Commission will be able to make the relevant arrangements for the documents to be provided to Mr Nicholson. If they are not, then clearly it will be open to Mr Nicholson to invite the Tribunal to attach less weight to any evidence provided by the charities which has not been substantiated by disclosure of the background material on which it relies.

**PRINCIPAL JUDGE**  
**DATE: 23 June 2014**

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