Reappointment of Family Procedure Rule Committee member



The Lord Chancellor has reappointed Michael Seath as a member of the Family Procedure Rule Committee (FPRC) from 11 September 2021 to 10 September 2024.

The FPRC was established under Section 77 of the Courts Act 2003 to make family procedure rules. Its aim is to make clear, easily understandable rules to create an accessible, fair and efficient family justice system.

Biography:

Michael Seath is Head of Legal Operations for Her Majesty's Courts and Tribunals Service. He is a solicitor with over 30 years' experience, and a magistrates' legal adviser working in the family jurisdiction. Michael has worked in courts across London, the South West and Midlands Regions. He now works with colleagues both in the Midlands and nationally, to manage the work of magistrates' legal advisers and the processes in the courts administration. In addition to his work as a magistrates' legal adviser and manager in the courts, Michael has delivered training for legal advisers and magistrates for over 20 years.

He has not declared any political activity.

Appointments and re-appointments to the FPRC are regulated by the Commissioner for Public Appointments and comply with the Cabinet Office Governance Code on Public Appointments.

This reappointment was made, by the Lord Chancellor, under Section 77(2) of the Courts Act 2003, in consultation with the Lord Chief Justice who has delegated this to the President of the Family Division.

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