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Dear Antony

Extension Notice issued under Part 3 of Schedule 4 to the Legal Services Act 2007

This letter is an Extension Notice issued under paragraph 21(5) Schedule 4 to the Legal Services Act 2007 (the "Act"). The words used in this Extension Notice have the meanings given to them in the Act.

On 21 March 2011 we received an application from the Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA) to alter its regulatory arrangements. Paragraph 21(4) requires the Board to make a decision with regard to the application within 28 days of receiving the application (the "initial decision period").

After an initial assessment of the application, and in accordance with paragraphs 21(5), (6) and (7) of Schedule 4 to the Act, the Board hereby extends the initial decision period to the end of Friday 17 June 2011. The extension of the initial decision period is required in order that the proposed changes can be considered alongside the application from the SRA to be designated as a licensing authority.

This Extension Notice is to be deemed made on and effective from 14 April 2011 and will expire on Friday 17 June 2011.

I have copied this letter to Russell Wallman and Mark Paulson at the Law Society.

Yours sincerely

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