



Appointment of Legal Aid Agency Review Panel members

The Review Panel of independent lawyers considers appeals against the Legal Aid Agency's decisions on funding and costs.

New member appointments

The Secretary of State has approved the appointment of the following 36 members who will serve a term of 5 years from 1 August 2021 until 31 July 2026:

1. Bahar Ata
2. Judith Brennan
3. Daniel Bunting
4. Sarah Burns
5. Louise Echlin
6. Stephen Fidler
7. Michael Field
8. Terri Fisher
9. Charlotte Flanders
10. Darren Flick
11. Tony Freitas
12. Maria Georgian
13. Ieva Giedraityte
14. Carrie Gilgun
15. Laura Hannah
16. Charlene Heale
17. Martin Hodgson
18. Gabriella Isamah-Opene
19. Clare Jennings
20. Barnaby Large
21. Matthew Lee
22. Anna Metcalfe
23. Dilshad Miah
24. Tamara Muhammad
25. Rory O'Ryan
26. Matthew Purves
27. Deirdre Sheahan
28. Harriet Short
29. Stephen Simblet
30. Priya Solanki
31. Vinita Templeton
32. Antony Vaughan



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33. Yvette Wadeley
34. Beverley Watkins
35. Zubier Yazdani
36. Saloud Zaman

Direct appointments

Ministers consulted the Commissioner for Public Appointments about these appointments which were required to ensure the panel had adequate cover across all categories of law.

The Secretary of State approved the appointment of the following members for a term of 12 months from 1 July 2021 until 30 June 2022:

- Michael Imperato
- Peter Todd