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Authorisations given pursuant to section 6, for the purposes of section 5(2) and section 5(4), of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012, in relation functions of the Lord Chancellor and the Director respectively under that Act

Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012, Part 1			
Section	Function	Who exercises the function in the section	Who is authorised to exercise the function in practice
1(3) (The Lord Chancellor's functions)	Securing the provision of information	The Lord Chancellor	The Legal Aid Agency
3 (Standards of service)	Setting and monitoring standards of service	The Lord Chancellor	The Legal Aid Agency
9(1)(b) (Civil legal services)	Making a determination	The Director of Legal Aid Casework	The Legal Aid Agency The Provider, subject to holding a relevant contract with the Lord Chancellor, made under s2(1) of the Act, and to being authorised to make a determination in accordance with any regulations, authorisations and the terms of any contract that apply to any given case.
10(2) (Exceptional cases)	Making an exceptional case determination	The Director of Legal Aid Casework	The Legal Aid Agency
10(4) (Exceptional	Making a wider public interest determination and a determination that	The Director of	The Legal Aid Agency



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cases)	an individual qualifies for services under Part 1.	Legal Aid Casework	
11 (Qualifying for civil legal aid)	Making a determination that an individual qualifies for civil legal services	The Director of Legal Aid Casework	The Legal Aid Agency The Provider, subject to holding a relevant contract with the Lord Chancellor, made under s2(1) of the Act contract, and to being authorised to make a determination in accordance with any regulations which apply to any given case
13 (Advice and assistance for an individual in custody)	Making a determination that an individual qualifies for advice and assistance.	The Director of Legal Aid Casework	The Duty Solicitor Call Centre
15 (Advice and assistance for criminal proceedings)	Making a determination that an individual qualifies for advice and assistance	The Director of Legal Aid Casework	The Legal Aid Agency HM Courts & Tribunal Service
16(1) (Representation for criminal proceedings)	Making a determination that an individual qualifies for representation, where the Director of Legal Aid Casework is the relevant authority	The Director of Legal Aid Casework	The Legal Aid Agency HM Courts & Tribunal Service
16(2) (Representation for criminal proceedings)	Making a determination that an individual qualifies for representation, where the Director of Legal Aid Casework is the relevant authority	The Director of Legal Aid Casework	The Legal Aid Agency HM Courts & Tribunal Service
17 (Qualifying for	Making a determination that an individual qualifies for representation,	The Director of	The Legal Aid Agency



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representation)	where the Director of Legal Aid Casework is the relevant authority	Legal Aid Casework	HM Courts & Tribunal Service
21(1) (Financial Resources)	Making a determination on an individual's financial resources	The Director of Legal Aid Casework	The Legal Aid Agency HM Courts & Tribunal Service The Duty Solicitor Call Centre The Provider, subject to holding a relevant contract with the Lord Chancellor, made under s2(1) of the Act contract, and to being authorised to make a determination in accordance with any regulations which apply to any given case
Schedule 3 3(1), 4(1), 5(2), (Legal Aid for Legal Persons)	Making an exceptional case determination in relation to the legal person	The Director of Legal Aid Casework	The Legal Aid Agency