

Regulation of school managers and governors: prohibition direction

Name: Mohammed Mizanur Rahman

Former position: Proprietor, Siddeeq Academy, Tower Hamlets.

Prescribed grounds on which the direction has been issued:

Under section 128 of the Education and Skills Act 2008, the "appropriate authority" (in this case the Secretary of State) may give a direction prohibiting a person from taking part in the management of an independent school on prescribed grounds connected with the person's suitability. The grounds on which a person may be prohibited are prescribed in the Independent Education Provision in England (Prohibition from Participation in Management) Regulations 2014.

A direction was given in respect of Mohammed Mizanur Rahman on 21 January 2019. The Secretary of State found that Mohammed Mizanur Rahman had:

- been convicted of a relevant offence
- engaged in relevant conduct

and that because of this he was unsuitable to take part in the management of an independent school (including an academy or Free School). The barring decision also has the effect of disqualifying the person from being a governor at a maintained school.

Summary

Mr Rahman has been convicted of relevant offences namely; inciting racial hatred contrary to Section 18 of the Public Order Act 1986 in 2006, solicitation to murder contrary to Section 4 of the Offences Against the Person Act 1861 in 2007, and inviting support for a proscribed organisation contrary to Section 12 of the Terrorism Act in 2016. He also engaged in social media activity that was aimed at undermining

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fundamental British values and, in addition, was so inappropriate that, in the opinion of the Secretary of State, it makes Mr Rahman unsuitable to take part in the management of an independent school.

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