Case Number: 2201952/2019



## **EMPLOYMENT TRIBUNALS**

**Claimant** Ms S Paul

**Respondent** London Borough of Camden

Heard at: London Central On: 11 October 2019

Before: Employment Judge A James

Representation

For the Claimant: In person, through her son Mr G Styles

For the Respondent: Ms D Cunningham, solicitor

## **JUDGMENT**

Following the hearing of submissions from Mr G Styles, the claimant's son, for the claimant and Ms Cunningham, solicitor, for the respondent, the decision of the tribunal is that:

(1) The employment tribunal does not have jurisdiction to hear the claim for breach of contract (Employment Tribunals Extension of Jurisdiction (England and Wales) Order 1994) because the claimant, being a selfemployed foster carer, does not have a contract of employment with the respondent; and further, because she does have any contract at all with the respondent, she is not a worker within the meaning of S230(3) of the Employment Rights Act 1996. The claim is therefore dismissed.

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(2) The employment tribunal does not have jurisdiction to hear the claim for whistle-blowing (section 47B Employment Rights Act 1996) because the claimant, being a self-employed foster carer, does not have a contract of employment with the respondent; further, because she does not have any form of contract at all with the respondent, she is not a worker within the meaning of sections 43K or 230(3) of the Employment Rights Act 1996. The claim is therefore dismissed.

(3) For the sake of completeness, the respondent's name is amended to the London Borough of Camden.

Employment Judge A James London Central Region
Dated 18th Oct 2019
Sent to the parties on:
21/10/2019
For the Tribunals Office

## **Notes**

Reasons for the judgment having been given orally at the hearing, written reasons will not be provided unless a request was made by either party at the hearing or a written request is presented by either party within 14 days of the sending of this written record of the decision.

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