

EMPLOYMENT TRIBUNALS

Claimant: Ms E Carpita

Respondent: STR 48 Limited

Heard by video

On: 24 January 2023

Before: Employment Judge Corrigan

Appearances

For the claimant: No appearance For the respondent: No appearance

JUDGMENT

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- 4. She had been sent the notice of hearing dated 27 September 2022 and there was no record that she herself had made any contact with the tribunal to find out how to attend.

- 5. She had also been sent the orders in respect of the hearing, which required both parties to send supporting documentation to the tribunal two working days before the hearing. Nothing had been received from either side.
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- 8. I recognise there is a chance that the claimant has not received the correspondence as it did not have her flat number. However the rest of the name and address was correct and there is therefore a good chance that she did. She herself has not made any contact with the tribunal to progress her claim (or to ensure the tribunal have the correct details with which to contact her). In the circumstances I considered the appropriate course was to strike out the claim due to non-pursuit.

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