

# **EMPLOYMENT TRIBUNALS**

Claimant:	Mr Mudd-Herel
Respondent:	Luna & Sunny Limited
Heard at:	East London Hearing Centre (by CVP)
On:	9 December 2024
Before:	Employment Judge Howden-Evans

### **REPRESENTATION:**

Claimant:	In person, supported by Mr Campbell, friend
Respondent:	No attendance

# JUDGMENT

Employment Tribunals Rules of Procedure 2013 – Rule 21

- 1. The claim was issued in the East London Employment Tribunals on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024. The respondent has failed to present a valid response on time. The Employment Judge has decided that a determination can properly be made of the claim, in accordance with rule 21 of the Rules of Procedure.
- 2. The complaint of unauthorised deductions from wages is well-founded. The respondent made an unauthorised deduction from the claimant's wages. The respondent shall pay the claimant £425. This is the gross sum deducted (£340) with 25% ACAS uplift applied (see paragraph 4). The claimant is responsible for the payment of any tax or National Insurance.
- 3. The complaint of unfair constructive dismissal is well-founded. The claimant was unfairly dismissed.
- 4. The respondent unreasonably failed to comply with the ACAS Code of Practice on Disciplinary and Grievance Procedures 2015 and it is just and equitable to increase:
  - a. the unfair dismissal compensatory award and

b. compensation for unauthorised deductions from wages;

by 25% in accordance with s 207A Trade Union & Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

- 5. In respect of the unfair dismissal claim, the respondent shall pay the claimant the following sums:
  - (a) A basic award of **£340**; and
  - (b) A compensatory award of £9,350.

**Note** these are the sums payable to the claimant after ACAS uplift has been applied.

- 6. The Employment Protection (Recoupment of Benefits) Regulations 1996 do not apply.
- 7. The complaint of breach of contract is well-founded, but compensation for breach of contract has been set off against the compensation awarded for unfair dismissal to avoid double-compensation.
- 8. The total amount owed to the Claimant by the Respondent is **£10,115**.
- Interest will accrue at a rate of 8% per annum on any amount of this award that remains unpaid 14 days after the date of this judgment. (See Article 3 (1) Employment Tribunals (Interest) Order 1990). This means if the whole amount remains unpaid it will accrue interest at a rate of £2.22 per day.

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#### Note

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