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Dear Helen

Application by the Chartered Institute of Legal Executives (CILEx) and CILEX Regulation under section 51 of the Legal Services Act 2007 for the approval of the level of the practising fee 2016

On 4 August 2015, we received your application under Section 51 of the Legal Services Act 2007 seeking approval of the 2016 practising certificate fees.

I am pleased to inform you that the 2016 practising certificate fees have been approved. This decision has been made under the authority delegated to me as Chief Executive by the LSB.

We noted that there continues to be progress towards a model for the full cost recovery where the cost of regulatory and permitted purposes activities are met from practising certificate fee income. We recognise that CILEx and CILEx Regulation are in a transitional period following the designation for additional reserved activities and the commencement of entity regulation and that it will take time to build the data on the true cost of these new activities; this is something that we are likely to look at in more detail next year.

The application also contained the proposed levels of Compensation Fund contribution for 2016 (set at the same level as approved by us in January 2015). Compensation Fund contributions are not within the definition of permitted activities and so do not require approval under section 51. I enclose an Exemption Direction (issued under paragraph 3 of Schedule 4 to the Act) approving this contribution level.

I am grateful to the members of your team that have assisted us with the individual queries that arose in the assessment of the application.

We will be publishing a copy of this letter on our website in the next few working days.

Please contact Dawn Reid, Head of Regulatory Performance and Operations,
(Dawn.Reid@legalservicesboard.org.uk or 020 7271 0063) if you have any questions.

I have written in similar terms to Mandie Lavin, Chief Executive, CILEx.

Yours sincerely,



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