

**2013 No. 1185**

**TRIBUNALS AND INQUIRIES**

**The Qualifications for Appointment of Members to the First-tier Tribunal and Upper Tribunal (Amendment) Order 2013**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>20th May 2013</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>22nd May 2013</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st July 2013</i>

The Lord Chancellor, with the concurrence of the Senior President of Tribunals, makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 and paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 3 to the Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Act 2007(a).

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Qualifications for Appointment of Members to the First-tier Tribunal and Upper Tribunal (Amendment) Order 2013 and comes into force on 1st July 2013.

**Amendment of the Qualifications for Appointment of Members to the First-tier Tribunal and Upper Tribunal Order 2008**

2. The Qualifications for Appointment of Members to the First-tier Tribunal and Upper Tribunal Order 2008(b) is amended as follows.

3. In article 2(4), at the end of sub-paragraph (n) insert a semi-colon and—

- “(o) in the drainage of land;
- (p) in farming and the ownership or management of agricultural property;
- (q) in relation to housing or housing conditions;
- (r) in matters relating to landlord and tenant relationships;
- (s) in valuation”.

Signed by the authority of the Lord Chancellor

*Helen Grant*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State  
Ministry of Justice

20th May 2013

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(a) 2007 c. 15  
(b) S.I. 2008/2692 as amended by S.I. 2009/1592 and S.I. 2012/897.

I concur,

*Sullivan, LJ*  
Senior President of Tribunals

20th May 2013

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order amends the Qualifications for Appointment of Members to the First-tier Tribunal and Upper Tribunal Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/2692). It adds new grounds of eligibility for appointment as a member of the First-tier Tribunal or the Upper Tribunal who is not a judge.

In consequence of the transfer of agricultural land tribunals and rent assessment committees in areas in England as from 1st July 2013 by the Transfer of Tribunal Functions Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/1036) eligibility is extended to persons having substantial relevant experience in land drainage, farm management or ownership, housing or housing conditions, landlord and tenant relationships, or valuation.

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