

Transport for London  
London Taxi and Private Hire

### **High Court Declaration Proceedings relating to Supreme Court judgment**

In [TPH Notice 05/21](#) we referred to the [Supreme Court ruling](#) which upheld an Employment Tribunal ruling which classed drivers undertaking bookings for private hire operator Uber London Limited (ULL) as 'workers'. The ruling included commentary on the contractual relationship between operators and drivers as set out in their terms and conditions.

ULL has issued proceedings in the High Court seeking a declaration as to whether the Private Hire Vehicles (London) Act 1998 (the 1998 Act) requires an operator accepting a booking from a passenger to enter into a contract with that passenger to provide the journey.

ULL has named TfL as one of the parties in these proceedings as the Supreme Court commentary primarily focussed on the 1998 Act, which TfL regulates.

The United Trade Action Group (UTAG) has previously issued separate proceedings seeking clarity on a similar point of law and is also named as one of the parties in ULL's claim.

The purpose of this Notice is to draw these proceedings to the attention of interested parties, including licensed private hire operators and licensed drivers, and anyone who wishes to join in these proceedings.

As the claimant, ULL has requested that the Court consider this issue urgently and suggests that any parties who wish to be joined in these proceedings should apply to the Court by no later than 24 May 2021.

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