

6. Mrs Cordell confirmed that the Application for Committal of 20.04.18 was received by post on 25.4.18. Postal service was confirmed as effected but not personal service. The Judge stressed postal service has to be effected given the implications of committal and that 14 days' notice be provided.
7. At this stage I made an application to dispense with personal service on the basis of the Defendant's conduct and the likelihood that he would refuse personal service. This was considered by the Judge and on balance given that it refers to potential committal of the Respondent the Judge preferred not to dispense with personal service. She did note the conduct of the Defendant. I queried that where personal service was refused if we could dispense with personal service. The Judge confirmed that where personal service is refused then we can come back to Court and apply to have personal service dispensed with.
8. I instructed a process server Mr Andy Philippou to personally serve the two committal applications on the Defendant. Mr Philippou attended the Defendant's address (109 Burncroft Avenue, Enfield, EN3 7JQ) on 02 May 2018 and knocked repeatedly on the door but the Defendant, having identified himself as Simon Cordell, stated that he did not wish to open the door and therefore refused to accept personal service of the committal applications. A witness statement of attempted service from Mr Andy Philippou is attached to this witness statement under exhibit 'BKG1'.
9. On the basis of the Defendant's refusal to accept personal service of the documents, the Claimant would like to make an application to dispense with personal service of the two committal applications pursuant to CPR 81.10(5)(a) which states that the Court may dispense with personal service of the committal application if it considers just to do so. If such an order is

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