

Upper Tribunal (Immigration and Asylum Chamber) EA/13539/2016

Appeal Number:

THE IMMIGRATION ACTS

Heard at Field House

On 12 April 2018

Decision & Promulgated On 16 April 2018

Reasons

Before

UPPER TRIBUNAL JUDGE O'CONNOR

Between

REDOUANNE SAIDOUN

(ANONYMITY DIRECTION NOT MADE)

<u>Appellant</u>

and

THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE HOME DEPARTMENT

Respondent

DECISION AND REASONS

Introduction

1. The appellant is a citizen of Algeria, born 18 October 1973. He made an application to the Secretary of State for an EEA residence card. The application was refused in a decision served on 22 November 2016, for reasons that I need not need to set out herein.

Decision of the First-tier Tribunal

2. The appellant lodged an appeal before the FtT. That appeal came before FtT Judge Woolf, who concluded in a decision dated 24 November 2016, that the FtT did not have jurisdiction to determine the appeal. No findings were made in relation to the substance of the appeal. The Judge's conclusion was informed by the guidance given by this Tribunal in Sala [2016] UKUT 00411.

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3. The appellant appealed such decision to the Upper Tribunal and Upper Tribunal Judge Coker thereafter granted permission. Thus, the matter comes before me.

Discussion

- 4. The Court of Appeal has now given consideration to the very issue in play in the instant case see <u>Khan v Secretary of State for the Home Department</u> [2017] EWCA Civ 1755. The Court concluded that the Upper Tribunal had been wrong in its conclusion and rationale in <u>Sala</u>. It is not in dispute that the effect of the decision in <u>Khan</u>, if applied to this case, is that the First-tier Tribunal was wrong to conclude that it did not have jurisdiction in this appeal.
- 5. For this reason, I set aside the decision of the First-tier Tribunal and remit the appeal back to the First-tier Tribunal to be heard afresh.

Decision

The decision of the First-tier Tribunal is set aside.

The appeal is remitted to the First-tier Tribunal.

Signed:

Upper Tribunal Judge O'Connor

Dated 12 April 2018.