

Upper Tribunal (Immigration and Asylum Chamber) Appeal Number: UI-2022-002314 On appeal from EA/03344/2021

# **THE IMMIGRATION ACTS**

Heard at Bradford On the 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Decision & Reasons Promulgated On the 09<sup>th</sup> November 2022

### Before

### **UPPER TRIBUNAL JUDGE BRUCE**

#### Between

#### Alex Oti Boateng

**Appellant** 

And

Secretary of State for the Home Department

**Respondent** 

For the Appellant: Mr Osei-Bonsu, Sponsor For the Respondent: Mr Diwnycz, Senior Home Office Presenting Officer

# **DECISION AND REASONS**

1. The Appellant is a national of Ghana born on the 21<sup>st</sup> June 1994. He appeals with permission against the decision of the First-tier Tribunal (Judge Mills) to dismiss his appeal against a refusal to issue him with a family permit to enable him to join his sponsor (his cousin) in the United Kingdom.

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- 2. Judge Mills' decision was dated the 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022. In short he did not accept that the Appellant and the Sponsor were related as claimed. Permission to appeal to this Tribunal was granted by First-tier Tribunal Judge Beach on the 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2022; Judge Beach thought it arguable that in reaching his decision Judge Mills may have overlooked some material evidence. By her Rule 24 response dated the 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022 the Respondent agreed that this ground was made out: she invites me to set the decision of Judge Mills aside and to remit the matter to the First-tier Tribunal so that it may be heard afresh.
- 3. At the hearing before me the Sponsor Mr Osei-Bonsu indicated that the Appellant was in agreement with this course of action. I therefore set aside the decision of Judge Mills by consent and remit the matter to the First-tier Tribunal for hearing *de novo*.

# **Decisions and Directions**

- 4. The decision of the First-tier Tribunal is set aside by consent.
- 5. The decision in the appeal is to be remade in the First-tier Tribunal by a Judge other than Judge Mills.

Upper Tribunal Judge Bruce 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022