

**R v HAMMERSMITH & FULHAM LONDON BOROUGH COUNCIL, EX PARTE
O'BRIAN (1985)**

QBD (Glidewell J)

HOUSING - LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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Application for review of council's decision that it had discharged its duty to provide applicant with accommodation under s.4(5) Housing (Homeless Persons) Act 1977 by offering her accommodation which she had unreasonably refused on an earlier occasion.

HELD: It was clear, following R v Westminster City Council, ex parte Chambers, that although the act of unreasonably refusing accommodation did not render a person intentionally homeless, one offer of accommodation by an authority was a performance of its duty which subsisted until the person experienced a second incidence of unintentional homelessness