

# Christopher James Hawkes Solicitor 665096

Prosecution Date: 8 November 2023

Decision - Prosecution

Outcome: Referral to Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal

Outcome date: 8 November 2023

Published date: 24 April 2024

#### Firm details

## Firm or organisation at time of matters giving rise to outcome

Name: Clarke Wilmott LLP

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Firm ID: 510689

## Outcome details

This outcome was reached by SRA decision.

#### Reasons/basis

This notification relates to a Decision to prosecute before the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal. This is an independent Tribunal which will reach its own decision after considering all the evidence, including any evidence put forward by the Solicitor. The Tribunal has certified that there is a case to answer in respect of allegations which are or include that:-

On 14 September 2022 he removed an email received from Client A dated 26 May 2022 from the Firm's Document Management System to conceal that he had received it and

Between 15 and 16 September 2022 he sent emails to Client A and his Supervising Partner at the Firm denying that he had received the email from Client A dated 26 May 2022.

The allegations are subject to a Hearing before the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal and are as yet unproven.

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