

## Qualifying work experience: back to basics

Maxine Warr, Head of Education and Training, SRA (Chair)

Richard Williams, Policy Manager, SRA

## Qualifying work experience



- At least two-years' full time experience of legal services, confirmed by a solicitor of England and Wales
- Working in law firms and in-house teams, as a trainee or paralegal, also student law clinics and advice centres can count

- Can be in up to four different organisations
- No requirement for three practice areas, must have exposure to at least two competencies needed to be a solicitor

## Confirming QWE



- Confirmed by a solicitor or COLP we regulate
- Exposure to at least two competences but solicitor not confirming whether individual is competent
- The length of work experience/placement carried out
- Should be confirmed if it meets our criteria
- Also provide character and suitability issues if any

## Keeping in touch





Email: educationandtraining queries@sra.org.uk



QWE resources sra.org.uk/qwe



Subscribe to SQE Update – sra.org.uk/sqe-update



Join our SQE LinkedIn group