

Shahid Ali Solicitor 002720

Prosecution Date: 28 May 2024

Decision - Prosecution

Outcome: Referral to Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal

Outcome date: 28 May 2024

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Firm details

Firm or organisation at date of publication and at time of matters giving rise to outcome

Name: Osborn Knight Ltd

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Firm ID: 620176

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 Mr Ali:-

- 1. Provided information to a third party, which he knew, or ought to have known was misleading in that:-
- 1.1. Between February and April 2020, as to the location of cash belonging to his client, when it had been in Mr Ali's possession since September 2017;
- 1.2. On or around 13 April 2020, regarding the purpose of an amount of cash provided by his client to Mr Ali.

- 2. Between September 2017 to January 2022, he failed to record his client's monies in a client ledger, failed to return his client's money promptly and failed to maintain proper accounting records.
- 3. In October 2019, Mr Ali suggested to his client, and/or encouraged his client to provide an account to assist their defence, which he knew or ought to have known was misleading.
- 4. From August 2019 to December 2019, Mr Ali provided, or caused to be provided, information to counsel, which he knew or ought to have known was misleading as to content of an audio recording of his client, which was indicative of his client's guilt.

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

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