

Abu Morshed Sabber Ahamed Yousuf Employee 349126

Employee-related decision Date: 15 March 2018

Decision - Employee-related decision

Outcome: Control of non-qualified staff (Section 43 / Section 99 order)

Outcome date: 15 March 2018

Published date: 17 August 2018

Firm details

Firm or organisation at time of matters giving rise to outcome

Name: J Stifford Solicitors Ltd

Address(es): Canary Gateway, Unit 2, Ground Floor, 787 Commercial Road, London, E14 7HG

Firm ID: 572245

Outcome details

This outcome was reached by SRA decision.

Decision details

IN THE MATTER OF: Abu Yousuf, a person who was involved in legal practice but is not a solicitor.

SECTION 43 SOLICITORS ACT 1974 (AS AMENDED)

Abu Yousuf was employed as a self-employed fee earner at J Stifford Law Solicitors in May 2013 until sometime in 2017. Mr Yousuf was found to have failed to declare his finding of dishonesty, and his previous refusal for admission to J Stifford Law Solicitors in May 2013. Mr Yousuf also failed to disclose in his application to the SRA, in November 2016, the previous finding of dishonesty and refusal to the Roll. He also failed to disclose the revocation of his consumer credit licence for Prime Legal Financial Services Ltd. His conduct was found to be dishonest.

Abu Yousuf is currently not employed in a legal practice.

Finding



Abu Yousuf who was involved in a legal practice (as defined by section 43(1A) of the Solicitors Act 1974) but is not a solicitor, has occasioned or been a party to, with or without the connivance of a solicitor, an act or default in relation to a legal practice which involved conduct on his part of such a nature that in the opinion of the Society it would be undesirable for him to be involved in a legal practice in all the ways set out below.

Order

To make a section 43 order that with effect from the date of the letter or email notifying Abu Yousuf of this decision:

- i. no solicitor shall employ or remunerate him in connection with his/her practice as a solicitor;
- ii. no employee of a solicitor shall employ or remunerate him in connection with the solicitor's practice;
- iii. no recognised body shall employ or remunerate him;
- iv. no manager or employee of a recognised body shall employ or remunerate him in connection with the business of that body;
- v. no recognised body or manager or employee of such a body shall permit him to be a manager of the body; and
- vi. no recognised body or manager or employee of such a body shall permit him to have an interest in the body except in accordance with a Society permission.

THIS ORDER IS SUBJECT TO AN INTERNAL RIGHT OF APPEAL AND A STATUTORY RIGHT OF REVIEW TO THE SOLICITORS DISCIPLINARY TRIBUNAL.

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