

News from the Board

We are recruiting four new Board members

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We are recruiting four new Board members - two lay (non-solicitors) and two solicitors, as current members, Dame Denise Platt, David Heath, Elaine Williams and David Willis reach the end of their terms.

We are committed to increasing diversity on our Board and are looking to recruit people who reflect the communities that solicitors serve, and the increasing diversity of the profession.

Member responsibilities include setting our strategic direction, making sure that issues are explored from a range of viewpoints and holding our executive to account for its performance.

Potential lay members should have an understanding, or experience of, one or more of: using key professional services, including legal, from the perspective of a small business; offering support and advice to consumers; competition within markets or a relevant academic field.

And, those looking for solicitor positions, should have understanding or experience of one of more of: providing regulated legal services through an alternative business structure in England or Wales; practice in a high-street solicitor firm in England or Wales; an organisation that provides digital/online advice; a relevant academic field.

This is an opportunity to contribute to our work and we encourage those who meet the criteria to apply.

Our recruitment agency for these roles is Saxton Bampfylde and [further information is available from their website](#) [<https://www.saxbam.com/appointment/solicitors-regulation-authority-7/>].

The closing date for applications is Tuesday 22 September. New members will take their places on the Board from 1 January, 2021.

Please also see the reflections of current board members - [Selina Ullah](#) [<https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/how-we-work/our-board/news-from-the-board/selina-ullah/>], [Peter Higson](#) [<https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/how-we-work/our-board/news-from-the-board/dr-peter-higson/>] and [Tony Williams](#) [<https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/how-we-work/our-board/news-from-the-board/tony-williams/>] on their work, and why they would encourage others to apply, in separate articles on our 'News from the Board page'.