



**David Clattenburg**  
**Employee**  
**269764**

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**Decision - Employee-related decision**

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

Outcome date: 25 April 2016

Published date: 11 May 2016

**Firm details**

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

Name: Singleton Winn Saunders

Address(es): 232 Shields Road, Byker, Newcastle Upon Tyne, Tyne and Wear, NE6 1DU

Firm ID: 422395

**Outcome details**

This outcome was reached by SRA decision.

**Decision details**

In the matter of David George Clattenburg, a person who is or was involved in legal practice but is not a solicitor.

**Section 43 Solicitors Act 1974 (as amended)**

**Finding**

We find that David George Clattenburg is or was involved in a legal practice (as defined by section 43 (1A) of the Solicitors Act 1974) but is not a solicitor and 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 any of the ways set out in the order below.

**Order**

To make a section 43 order that with effect from the date of the letter or email notifying David George Clattenburg 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.

#### **Reasons/basis**

#### **The Facts**

David George Clattenburg a person who is not a solicitor, was employed as the Office Manager by Singleton Winn Saunders at 232 Shields Road, Byker, Newcastle Upon Tyne NE6 1DU until 8 April 2015. During his employment with Singleton Winn Saunders Mr Clattenburg was found to have taken £2500 from the firm's office account on a number of different occasions.

Mr Clattenburg was summarily dismissed on 8 April 2015 for gross misconduct. His current employment status is unknown.

#### **Other information**

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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