



**Maxine Barnes**  
**Solicitor**  
**300610**

**[Prosecution Date: 26 September 2019](#)**

**Decision - Prosecution**

Outcome: Referral to Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal

Outcome date: 26 September 2019

Published date: 14 April 2021

**Firm details**

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

Name: Furse Sanders Ltd (Intervened)

Address(es): 13-14 Broad Street, South Molton, Devon EX36 3AF,

Firm ID: 626983

**Firm or organisation at date of publication**

Name: The Wills Associates Limited

Address(es): 193 Charles Street, Leicester LE1 1LA

Firm ID: 607899

**Outcome details**

This outcome was reached by SRA decision.

**Reasons/basis**

**Outcome of SDT Hearing**

This notification relates to a Decision to prosecute before the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal. This is an independent Tribunal which reaches its own decision after considering all the evidence, including any evidence put forward by the Respondent. The Tribunal had certified that there was a case to answer.

The matter was heard on 5 – 9 July 2021.

Mrs Barnes was Struck Off the Roll.

The SDT judgment will be available at [www.solicitortribunal.org.uk](http://www.solicitortribunal.org.uk)  
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The SDT's Costs Order is subject to an Appeal to the High Court (Administrative Court) by Ms. Barnes. The Order remains in force pending the High Court's decision on the Appeal.

On 8 February 2022, the Administrative Court considered Mrs Barnes' appeal against the Tribunal's costs order.

The Court allowed Mrs Barnes' appeal and made no order for costs.  
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