

### SQE Update - July 2022

In this bulletin find out about sitting the October SQE2 assessment, the date for the SQE2 April sitting results and dealing with a refusal to confirm qualifying work experience.

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### **SQE2 October 2022 bookings now open**

Candidates can now book for the SQE2 assessment, taking place in October. To do this, they must have completed the registration and pre-booking process first. If they need reasonable adjustments, they should make the request as early as possible as part of their pre-booking steps.

To sit this exam, a candidate must have passed SQE1 or have the Legal Practice Course and be using SQE2 (as well as qualifying work experience) as an equivalent to a period of recognised training.

<u>Find out how to register and book your place [https://sqe.sra.org.uk/registering-and-booking]</u>

### **SQE2 April 2022 results**

Results for the SQE2 April 2022 sitting will be released on 25 August. We will email candidates week commencing 15 August on how they can access their results and provide more information on the SQE website on this process. We will also publish a statistical report with feedback on the assessments and their performance.

We have updated the SQE website with more information for candidates on <u>understanding what is included in results [https://sqe.sra.org.uk/exam-arrangements/results-and-resits]</u>.

### Dealing with a refusal to confirm QWE

We've published advice for candidates who may be having issues getting their qualifying work experience (QWE) confirmed. This tells candidates what we expect from solicitors, what to do if a solicitor refuses to confirm, and when and how to contact us if they need further help.

<u>Find out more [https://www.sra.org.uk/become-solicitor/sqe/qualifying-work-experience-candidates/refusal-confirm-qualifying-work-experience/]</u>

# New Director of Education and Training joins us

Julie Swan has now joined us as Director of Education and Training, a role which will include leading the ongoing delivery of the SQE. She has extensive experience of regulatory practice, education policy and assessment. These include senior positions at the Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education and as Executive Director of General Qualifications and Deputy Chief Regulator at the Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation (Ofgual).

As well as the SQE, Julie will also be responsible for monitoring legacy qualifications such as the Legal Practice Course and overseeing the continuing competence regime for the profession.

## Join our QWE LinkedIn group

We've launched a 'Making QWE happen' LinkedIn discussion group. If you are in a law firm, in-house team, law clinic, charity or another organisation involved in providing qualifying work experience, please join to let us know your views and to share learnings with others.

Here you can discuss and share all things relating to qualifying work experience. This could be your organisation's approach, your processes, how you are addressing challenges, what you have learnt or suggestions for us as the regulator.

oin now [https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12659920/]

If you are a training provider – or employer – who is interested in getting involved in #SQEready, get in touch [https://form.sra.org.uk/s3/SQEready].

### Other ways to get involved

Join our <u>LinkedIn reference group [https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8548868/]</u>. It will help you keep up to date with the latest SQE developments and opportunities to get involved in our surveys and events.

If you are thinking about taking the SQE, or know someone who is, please follow <u>Career in Law [https://www.facebook.com/careerinlaw]</u> for the latest information aimed at aspiring solicitors.

If you have any questions, or want more information on how you can get involved, <u>contact us [https://www.sra.org.uk/home/contact-us/]</u>.

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