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SRA appoints Capsticks and Blake Morgan to provide services for its Legal & Enforcement Team

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We have appointed leading UK law firms Capsticks and Blake Morgan to provide legal services to support our Legal & Enforcement Team.

Capsticks has been re-appointed, having acted for us since 2009, supporting on investigations, enforcement, litigation and other work. Blake Morgan has also been appointed and will be resuming their work with us, which included managing and presenting cases before the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal (SDT) until 2016

The two practices will work with our Legal & Enforcement Team on investigations and represent us at proceedings before the SDT. This role supports our work of regulating the professional conduct of more than 160,000 practising solicitors and other authorised individuals.

The appointments were won through a competitive tender following a rigorous and comprehensive procurement process. The new contracts will begin on 1 November 2023 for an initial period of three years.

For Blake Morgan, the work will be led by regulatory partners James Danks, Clare Strickland and Delme Griffiths. The team at Capsticks will be led by regulatory partners Mark Whiting, Mark Rogers, Ian Brook and Nimi Bruce.

Juliet Oliver, Deputy Chief Executive, General Counsel and Executive Director, Investigations and Supervision said: 'We are pleased to appoint Capsticks and Blake Morgan after a rigorous and competitive process. We were focused on making sure those we appointed had the right expertise, would be able to provide work consistently to the expected high standard, while also offering excellent value for money.'

Rachael Heenan, Capsticks' Senior Partner said: 'We are delighted to have the opportunity to continue to support the SRA in its important work and the continued recognition of our regulatory expertise.'

James Danks, Partner at Blake Morgan, said: 'We are greatly looking forward to beginning our work with the SRA, supporting its all-important regulation of the profession and maintaining the sector's high standards. Alongside the talented team at Capsticks, we are excited to take on the

new challenges this appointment will bring, and reflecting Blake Morgan's leading regulatory service offer.'