

# Steve Davies Solicitors Limited (Davies & McGrath Law) 57 Liverpool Road, Burscough, Ormskirk, L40 0SA Licenced body 645997

Closure Date: 22 May 2023

Decision - Closure

Outcome: Intervention

Outcome date: 22 May 2023

Published date: 25 May 2023

# Firm details

# Firm or organisation at date of publication and at time of matters giving rise to outcome

Name: Steve Davies Solicitors Ltd t/a Davies and McGrath Law

Address(es): 57 Liverpool Road North, Burscough, Ormskirk

Firm ID: 645997

## Outcome details

This outcome was reached by SRA decision.

Decision details

To intervene into the licensed body, Steve Davies Solicitors Ltd t/a Davies and McGrath Law

# Reasons/basis

The Panel was satisfied that grounds for intervention existed under paragraph 1(2)(f) of Schedule 14 to the Legal Services Act 2007, namely that it was necessary to intervene into Steve Davies Solicitors Ltd t/a Davies and McGrath Law to protect the interests of clients or former clients, the interests of beneficiaries of any trust of which the firm is or was a trustee, or the interests of the beneficiaries of any trust of which a person who is or was a manager or employee of the firm is or was a trustee in that person's capacity as a manager or employee.

Other information



Steve Davies Solicitors Ltd t/a Davies and McGrath Law is a licenced body.

#### Intervening agents

Carl Johnson of Stephensons Solicitors LLP, Wigan Investment Centre, Waterside Drive, Wigan, Greater Manchester, WN3 5BA has been appointed as the intervening agent.

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Fined Date: 17 August 2022

# Decision - Fined

Outcome: Fine

Outcome date: 17 August 2022

Published date: 12 October 2022

### Firm details

No detail provided:

# Outcome details

This outcome was reached by SRA decision.

#### Decision details

Steve Davies Solicitors Limited (trading as Davies and McGrath Law) is a licensed body whose office is at 57 Liverpool Rd North, Burscough, Ormskirk, Lancashire, L40 0SA, England.

The SRA Transparency Rules came into effect on 6 December 2018. They require all firms authorised and regulated by the SRA to display specified information on their websites if they provide certain types of legal services.

The purpose of the Transparency Rules is to ensure people have accurate and relevant information about a solicitor or firm when they are considering purchasing legal services. They are intended to help members of the public and small businesses make informed choices, improving competition in the legal market.

The firm has failed to publish mandatory details about costs and its complaints procedure in breach of rules 1.1 and 2.1 of the Transparency Rules.

The firm was ordered to pay a £1,500 financial penalty and costs of £1,350 and the following conditions were imposed on its authorisation:



- 1. If the firm has a website that publishes as available any of the services specified in rules 1.3 or 1.4 of the Transparency Rules, it must provide evidence to the SRA's reasonable satisfaction that, in respect of each of those services:
  - i. it publishes the information specified in rule 1.5 of the Transparency Rules, and
  - ii. such information is clear and accessible and is in a prominent place on its website.

Such evidence must be provided to the SRA within 30 days of this condition coming into effect.

2. If the firm has a website, it must provide evidence to the SRA's reasonable satisfaction, that it is complying with rule 2.1 of the Transparency Rules (Complaints Information). Such evidence must be provided to the SRA within 30 days of this condition coming into effect.

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