

## Latest news releases

[Our approach to SLAPPs cases](#)

[24 March 2025](#)

[Concerns remain about solicitors getting involved in abusive litigation aimed at silencing legitimate criticism – known as SLAPPs \(strategic litigation against public participation\).](#)

[\[https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/approach-slapps/\] Third year review of SQE shows continued improvements](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/approach-slapps/)

[11 March 2025](#)

[The Solicitors Qualifying Examination \(SQE\) Independent Reviewer has confirmed the assessment is robust and the outcomes are fair.](#)

[\[https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/sqe-annual-report-24-25/\] SRA launches fund to support disadvantaged candidates sit the SQE](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/sqe-annual-report-24-25/)

[11 March 2025](#)

[Organisations supporting aspiring solicitors from disadvantaged backgrounds are invited to apply for funding to cover candidates' costs of sitting the Solicitors Qualifying Examination \(SQE\).](#)

[\[https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/fund-disadvantaged-candidates/\] SRA Chief Executive to retire](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/fund-disadvantaged-candidates/)

[27 February 2025](#)

[After nearly 12 years as Chief Executive, Paul Philip will be retiring from the Solicitors Regulation Authority \(SRA\) towards the end of 2025, once a suitable replacement has been found.](#)

[\[https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/sra-chief-executive-retire/\] Study shows a universal approach could help consumer vulnerability in the legal market](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/sra-chief-executive-retire/)

[05 February 2025](#)

[We have published an independent study into consumer vulnerability in the legal market, as part of our ongoing commitment to improving access to legal services.](#)

[\[https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/client-vulnerability-research/\]](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/client-vulnerability-research/)  
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## Other news

[Cavity wall insulation claims handled by SSB Group \(SSB\) and Pure Legal Limited \(Pure Legal\)](#)

[25 February 2025](#)

[We have now taken action against four solicitors, who worked at SSB and were involved in this work, placing conditions on the way they work in order to protect the public.](#)

[\[https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/ssb-group-feb-2025/\]](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/ssb-group-feb-2025/) [October 2024 SQE2 results](#)

[20 February 2025](#)

[Results for October 2024 SQE2 have now been published and 1,026 candidates received their results today.](#)

[\[https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/october-2024-sqe2-results/\]](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/october-2024-sqe2-results/) [Update on Post Office Horizon IT scandal investigations](#)

[20 February 2025](#)

[In light of the conclusion of the evidence-gathering sessions of the public inquiry, we have updated our statement on our investigations into the Post Office Horizon Scandal. While we can't confirm the exact timeline, we are hopeful that we can launch prosecution action in some cases in the summer. This builds on our statements from 2024.](#)

[\[https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/statement-post-office-feb-2025/\]](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/statement-post-office-feb-2025/) [Law firms asked to provide information on complaints handling](#)

[30 January 2025](#)

[We have written to a randomly selected cross section of 750 firms, requiring Compliance Officers \(COLPs\) to provide information on how their firm identifies and handles first tier complaints.](#)

[\[https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/first-tier-complaints-survey/\]](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/first-tier-complaints-survey/) [WW&J McClure and Jones Whyte](#)

[28 January 2025](#)

[We are continuing to deal with outstanding issues related to work and clients of the former firm WW&J McClure Ltd \(McClure\) which entered administration in 2021.](#)

[\[https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/mcclure/\]](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/mcclure/) [Swiss lawyers working in England and Wales](#)

[16 December 2024](#)

[If you are Swiss qualified lawyer and you wish to practise in England and Wales, there are a few options for you to consider.](https://higher-rights.sra.org.uk/sra/news/swiss-lawyers/)  
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