

Latest news releases

[SRA sets out expanded 2025/26 business plan to address rising risks in legal services](#)

[08 May 2025](#)

[We are consulting on our 2025/26 Business Plan, which outlines an increased programme of work to respond to a rapidly changing legal sector. The business plan covers the final year \(November 2025 – October 2026\) of our current Corporate Strategy, a period during which the operating environment has continued to evolve at pace.](#)

[\[https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/business-plan-consultation-2025-2026/\] SRA approves first AI-driven law firm](https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/business-plan-consultation-2025-2026/)

[06 May 2025](#)

[We have authorised the first law firm providing legal services through artificial intelligence \(AI\). While many firms are already using AI to support and deliver a range of back-office and public-facing services, Garfield.Law Ltd is the first purely AI-based firm we have authorised to provide regulated legal services in England and Wales.](#)

[\[https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/garfield-ai-authorised/\] Annual conference gives SQE updates](https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/garfield-ai-authorised/)

[11 April 2025](#)

[More than 900 delegates joined this year's SQE Virtual Conference live online. Many more are expected to catch up with the three sessions on YouTube over the coming weeks.](#)

[\[https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/sqe-annual-conference/\] Our approach to SLAPPs cases](https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/sqe-annual-conference/)

[24 March 2025](#)

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

[\[https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/approach-slapps/\] Third year review of SQE shows continued improvements](https://www.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://www.sra.org.uk/sra/news/press/sqe-annual-report-24-25/>]

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Other news

[Firm anti-money laundering and sanctions data requirements](#)

[09 May 2025](#)

[All regulated firms must provide us with information on anti-money laundering and sanctions data](#)

[<https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/news/firm-anti-money-laundering-sanctions-data-requirements/>]
[SQE1 January 2025 results published](#)

[01 April 2025](#)

[The results for the SQE1 January 2025 sitting have been published.](#)

[<https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/news/sqe1-january-2025-results/>] [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://www.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://www.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.](#)



[\[https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/news/statement-post-office-feb-2025/\]](https://www.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.

[\[https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/news/first-tier-complaints-survey/\]](https://www.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.

[\[https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/news/mcclure/\]](https://www.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.

[\[https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/news/swiss-lawyers/\]](https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/news/swiss-lawyers/)