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Prosecution Date: 17 April 2025

Decision - Prosecution

Outcome: Referral to Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal

Outcome date: 17 April 2025

Published date: 21 August 2025

Firm details

Firm or organisation at time of matters giving rise to outcome

Name: Buss Murton Law LLP

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Firm ID: 513079

Outcome details

This outcome was reached by SRA decision.

Reasons/basis

This notification relates to a Decision to prosecute before the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal. This is an independent Tribunal which will reach its own decision after considering all the evidence, including any evidence put forward by the Solicitor. The Tribunal has certified that there is a case to answer in respect of allegations which are or include that, while a consultant employed at Buss Murton Law LLP and subsequently as an independent consultant:-

- In March 2016, while acting as a consultant employed by the Firm, he facilitated the preparation and execution of a back-dated document;
- In August 2017, while acting as an independent consultant, he facilitated the preparation, execution and circulation of a back-dated document purporting to be an assignment of loan;
- In the period January March 2019, while acting as an independent consultant, he facilitated the preparation, execution and circulation

- of backdated documents, being a call option agreement and a facility agreement.
- In the period 30 December 2015 to 31 March 2018, he owned, controlled and was sole director of Global Security Trustees Limited ('GST'), whose role was to act as security trustee protecting the interests of bondholders, notwithstanding an obvious conflict in doing so (or significant risk thereof) given his previous and ongoing instructions (as consultant employed by the firm and thereafter as an independent consultant) for borrowers and/or persons with an interest in these borrowers

The allegations are subject to a Hearing before the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal and are as yet unproven.

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