

A LIFELINE FOR SOLICITORS

Advice for Solicitors from Solicitors



USEFUL LINKS

The SAS works closely with the following organisations to provide support for solicitors:

LawCare

www.lawcare.org.uk
Helpline Support 0800 279 6888
Mon – Frid 9am–5.30pm

The Solicitors' Charity

www.thesolicitorscharity.org
Tel: 0208 675 6440

The Law Society

www.lawsociety.org.uk

The SRA – Ethics and Guidance Service

www.sra.org.uk

The Solicitors' Assistance Scheme is independent of the Law Society and the Solicitors Regulation Authority.

FURTHER ADVICE

Taking advice from a SAS member does not mean that you are obliged to retain that solicitor and you are free to instruct any solicitor of your choice.

COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

The SAS does have a complaints procedure if for any reason a complaint has to be made. Details can be found in full on our website.

TESTIMONIALS

“I DON'T THINK I WOULD HAVE COPEd WITHOUT THE SUPPORT THE SAS PROVIDED”

“IT SAVED MY SANITY”

“THE SAS HELPED ME TURN MY BUSINESS AROUND”

“THE SCHEME MEMBER WAS WONDERFULLY HELPFUL AND SUPPORTIVE”

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The Solicitor's Assistance Scheme offers free confidential help, advice and guidance to all solicitors in England and Wales, their families and employees on any problems whether personal or professional.

The assistance is given by experienced solicitors who are themselves in practice and who have agreed to share their knowledge and expertise by providing initial help.

You can talk freely to the scheme member safe in the knowledge that the conversation is covered by confidentiality and privilege. You will be receiving help from another solicitor who will have an understanding of your situation. If you wish you do not even have to provide your name. However, confidentiality is key to the call or calls.

Volunteer members from all over England & Wales (most are practising solicitors with a high degree of skill and experience in their chosen areas of practice)

Provide a wide variety of skills & experience, including counselling & insolvency advice

Minimum of one hour of pro bono advice & assistance

Guaranteed confidentiality

ADVICE AREAS

R **Regulatory**
(Practice issues, COLP/COFA issues, Authorisation Issues)

D **Professional Disciplinary**
(Practising Certificate issues & conditions, Self Reports, SRA investigations, SDT referrals, and breaks of the accounts rules)

P **Partnership**

E **Employment**

F **Fraud & Crime**

I **Interventions**

V **Voluntary Closures or disposals of practice**

C **Complaints & Negligence**

M **Practice management**

L **Money laundering**

S **Insolvency**

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