

## Privacy Statement

The purpose of this privacy statement is to explain the information which is collected, stored and otherwise processed by me and my Chambers, 2 King's Bench Walk Chambers ("Chambers").

I am a barrister and provide legal and advocacy services as an independent, self-employed barrister.

I collect, use and am responsible for personal information about you. When I do this I am the 'controller' of this information for the purposes of the General Data Protection Regulation 2016 ("GDPR") and the Data Protection Act 2018 ("DPA").

If you need to contact me about your information or the processing carried out you can use the contact details on my Chambers website.

In carrying out the provision of legal services or providing a reference, I may collect some or all of the following personal information that you provide:

a. personal details b. family details c. lifestyle and social circumstances d. goods and services e. financial details f. education, training and employment details g. physical or mental health details h. racial or ethnic origin i. political opinions j. religious, philosophical or other beliefs k. trade union membership l. sex life or sexual orientation m. genetic information n. biometric information for the purpose of uniquely identifying a natural person o. criminal proceedings, outcomes and sentences, or related security measures p. other personal information relevant to instructions to provide legal services, including information specific to the instructions in question.

I may also obtain the same categories of personal information listed above from third parties, such as members of Chambers, experts, members of the public, your family and

friends, witnesses, courts and other tribunals, suppliers of goods and services, investigators, government departments, regulators, public records and registers.

I may use your personal information for the following purposes:

1. to provide legal services to clients, including the provision of legal advice and representation in courts, tribunals, arbitrations, and mediations
2. to keep accounting records and carry out office administration
3. to take or defend legal or regulatory proceedings or to exercise a lien
4. to respond to potential complaints or make complaints
5. to check for potential conflicts of interest in relation to future potential cases
6. to promote and market my services
7. to carry out anti-money laundering and terrorist financing checks
8. to train other barristers and when providing work-shadowing opportunities
9. to respond to requests for references
10. when procuring goods and services
11. to publish legal judgments and decisions of courts and tribunals
12. as required or permitted by law

The information collected enables me to provide you with advice or representation or a reference, and also enables me to comply with my professional obligations, and to keep accounting records.

If you are offering or providing me with goods or services your information may be processed in relation to such offers or contracts.

If you have consented to the processing of your personal information, then Chambers may process your information for the purposes set out above to the extent to which you have consented to Chambers doing so.

If you are a client, processing is necessary for the performance of a contract for legal

services or in order to take steps at your request prior to entering into a contract.

In relation to information in categories (g) to (o) above (these being categories which are considered to include particularly sensitive information and which include information about criminal convictions or proceedings), Chambers is entitled by law to process the information where the processing is necessary for legal proceedings, legal advice, or otherwise for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal rights.

In relation to information which is not in categories (g) to (o) above, Chambers relies on its legitimate interests and/or the legitimate interests of a third party in carrying out the processing for the purposes set out above.

In relation to information which is in categories (g) to (o) above (these being categories which include particularly sensitive information and which include information about criminal convictions or proceedings), Chambers relies on your consent for any processing for the purposes set out in purposes (i), (ii), (vi) and (viii) above. However, if you do not consent to processing for the purpose of providing a reference Chambers will be unable to take or provide a reference. This is because Chambers needs to be able to retain all information about you to provide an informed and complete reference.

The processing is necessary for the purposes of performing or exercising obligations or rights which are imposed or conferred by law on Chambers or you in connection with employment, social security or social protection.

The processing is necessary for the assessment of your working capacity or health or social care purposes.

The processing of information in categories (g), (h), (j) and (l), is necessary for the purposes of identifying or keeping under review the existence or absence of equality of opportunity

or treatment between members of staff, tenants, pupils and mini-pupils with a view to enabling such equality to be promoted or maintained.

The processing is necessary to prevent or detect unlawful acts where it is in the substantial public interest and it must be carried out without consent so as not to prejudice those purposes.

In certain circumstances processing may be necessary in order that Chambers can comply with a legal obligation to which it is subject (including carrying out anti-money laundering or terrorist financing checks).

If you are a client, some of the information you provide will be protected by legal professional privilege unless and until the information becomes public in the course of any proceedings or otherwise. As a barrister I have an obligation to keep your information confidential, except where it otherwise becomes public or is disclosed as part of the case or proceedings.

It may be necessary to share your information with the following:

- data processors, such as my Chambers staff, IT support staff, email providers, data storage providers
- other legal professionals
- experts and other witnesses
- prosecution authorities
- courts and tribunals
- trainee barristers
- lay clients
- family and associates of the person whose personal information I am processing
- in the event of complaints, the Head of Chambers, other members of Chambers who deal with complaints, the Bar Standards Board, and the Legal Ombudsman
- other regulatory authorities

- current, past or prospective employers
- education and examining bodies
- business associates, professional advisers and trade bodies, e.g. the Bar Council
- the intended recipient, where you have asked me to provide a reference.
- the general public in relation to the publication of legal judgments and decisions of courts and tribunals

I may be required to provide your information to regulators, such as the Bar Standards Board, the Financial Conduct Authority or the Information Commissioner's Office. In the case of the Information Commissioner's Office, there is a risk that your information may lawfully be disclosed by them for the purpose of any other civil or criminal proceedings, without Chambers' consent or your consent, which includes privileged information.

I may also be required to disclose your information to the police or intelligence services, where required or permitted by law.

The personal information Chambers obtains may include information obtained from:

- other legal professionals
- experts and other witnesses
- prosecution authorities
- courts and tribunals
- trainee barristers
- lay clients
- family and associates of the person whose personal information I am processing
- in the event of complaints, the Head of Chambers, other members of Chambers who deal with complaints, the Bar Standards Board, and the Legal Ombudsman
- other regulatory authorities
- current, past or prospective employers
- education and examining bodies
- business associates, professional advisers and trade bodies, e.g. the Bar Council

- the intended recipient, where you have asked me to provide a reference.
- the general public in relation to the publication of legal judgments and decisions of courts and tribunals.
- data processors, such as my Chambers staff, IT support staff, email providers, data storage providers
- public sources, such as the press, public registers and law reports.

This privacy notice is of general application and as such it is not possible to state whether it will be necessary to transfer your information out of the EEA in any particular case or for a reference. However, if you reside outside the EEA or your case or the role for which you require a reference involves persons or organisations or courts and tribunals outside the EEA then it may be necessary to transfer some of your information to that country outside of the EEA for that purpose. If you are in a country outside the EEA or if the instructions you provide come from outside the EEA then it is inevitable that information will be transferred to those countries. If this applies to you and you wish additional precautions to be taken in respect of your information please indicate this when providing initial instructions.

If I decide to publish a judgment or other decision of a Court or Tribunal containing your information then it may be published to the world.

I will not otherwise transfer personal information outside the EEA except as necessary for the conduct of any legal proceedings.

I will normally store all your information:

1. Until at least 1 year after the expiry of any relevant limitation period, from for example the date on which your employment terminates, the date of the last provision of service or goods, the date of the last payment made or received or the date on which all outstanding payments are written off (whichever is the latest). This is because it may be needed for potential legal proceedings. At this point any further retention will be reviewed and the information will be marked for deletion or marked for retention for a further period. The

latter retention period is likely to occur only where the information is needed for legal proceedings, regulatory matters or active complaints. Deletion will be carried out as soon as reasonably practicable after the information is marked for deletion.

2. I will store some of your information which I need to carry out conflict checks for the rest of my career. However, this is likely to be limited to your name and contact details/ the name of the case. This will not include any information within categories (g) to (o) above.

3. Information related to anti-money laundering checks will be retained until five years after the completion of the transaction or the end of the business relationship, whichever is the later;

4. Names and contact details held for marketing purposes will be stored indefinitely or until I or my clerks become aware or are informed that the individual has ceased to be a potential client.

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