

Stephen Hourigan

CALL/INN: Called to the Bar by Middle Temple, October 1998

TYPE OF HEARING: 5 Person Disciplinary Tribunal

DATE OF DECISION: 30 September 2013

In breach of

Contrary to paragraphs 905(f) and 905(d) and pursuant to paragraphs 901.7 and 901.5 of the Code of Conduct of the Bar of England and Wales (8th Edition).

Details of Offence

Stephen Hourigan failed to comply in due time with a sentence imposed by a Disciplinary Tribunal on the 8th January 2010, that he pay fines and costs totalling £2270. An appeal by Mr Hourigan against this sentence was dismissed on the 26th January 2012 with costs of £235. Mr Hourigan failed to pay the total sum of £2505 by the due date of 13th March 2012, contrary to paragraph 905(d) of the Code of Conduct.

Stephen Hourigan failed to comply in due time with a sentence imposed by a Disciplinary Tribunal on the 23rd June 2010, that he pay fines and costs totalling £5167.50 by the 6th September 2010.

Stephen Hourigan failed to respond promptly to requests from the Bar Standards Board (BSB) for comments or information on a complaint, in that he failed to respond to letters sent to him by the BSB dated the 31st January 2013 and the 18th February 2013, such failure being serious as to amount to professional misconduct by virtue of its combination with other failures (as above) to comply with the Code of Conduct.

SENTENCE: Suspended from practise until all Fines and Costs are paid. Fined £1000; to be paid within 28 days of the hearing.

STATUS: Final.