

Wayne Massey

CALL/INN: Called to the Bar by Inner Temple, July 1986

TYPE OF HEARING: 5 Person Disciplinary Tribunal

DATE OF DECISION: 17th October 2014

In breach of

Contrary to paragraphs 301(a)(iii) and 204(d) and 401(a)(ii) and pursuant to paragraph 901.7 of the Code of Conduct of the Bar of England and Wales (8th Edition).

Details of Offence

Wayne Massey, being a self-employed barrister, engaged in conduct likely to diminish confidence in the legal profession or the administration of justice or otherwise bring the legal profession into disrepute in that between the 1st November 2012 and the 20th March 2013 he failed to: (a) submit perfected Grounds of Appeal that he had been ordered by the Court of Appeal on the 15th November 2012; (b) attend the Court of Appeal for the hearing of an application for leave on the 20th March 2013; (c) communicate or co-operate with the office of the Registrar of Criminal Appeals.

Wayne Massey, being a self-employed barrister, provided legal services between the 1st March 2011 and the 20th November 2012 in relation to the affairs of a lay client, namely: (a) provided advice and drafted Grounds of Appeal; (b) discussed the case and appeal with the client; (c) informed the Court of Appeal and the Registrar of the Court of Appeal that he was representing the client on a pro bono basis; (d) applied for an adjournment on behalf of the client in order to draft a legal document, namely, perfected Grounds of Appeal.

And at the time these legal services were provided he was not registered as a direct access barrister and he was not entitled to accept direct access work or instructions from a lay client or to provide legal services to a direct access client.

SENTENCE: 6 months suspension. Barred from providing Direct Access work for 3 years and until further training has been undertaken.

STATUS: Open to Appeal.