

Paul Sims

CALL/INN: Called to the Bar by Gray's Inn, November 1990

TYPE OF HEARING: 3 Person Disciplinary Tribunal

DATE OF DECISION: 15th April 2015

In breach of

Rule rC64.2 of the Bar Standards Board Handbook (1st Edition).

Details of Offence

Paul Sims, a barrister, failed to comply in due time with a sentence imposed by a Disciplinary Tribunal on the 20th January 2012 that he pay a fine of £1000 and costs of £111.67 in that, having been given permission by the Disciplinary Tribunal to negotiate with the Bar Standards Board for time to pay should this be required, having agreed with the Bar Standards Board on the 12th February 2014 that he would pay a minimum of £100 each month, and having paid the sum of £111.67 on or about the 13th February 2014, Mr Sims failed to make monthly payments from March 2014 onwards pursuant to the agreement so that as at the 30th September 2014 he had failed to make any further payment, in breach of rC64.2 of the BSB Handbook, such breach not being appropriate for disposal by way of no further action or the imposition of administrative sanctions pursuant to Part 5A of the BSB Handbook [being the Complaints Regulations].

SENTENCE: Conditional 3 month suspension.

STATUS: Final.