



# The Bar Tribunals & Adjudication Service

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## Disciplinary Tribunal

### MICHAEL SHRIMPTON ESQ

Called to the Bar by: Gray's Inn, November 1983

Type of hearing: 5 Person Tribunal

Date of decision: 20 September 2018

#### In breach of:

Paragraphs 301(a)(i) and (iii) of the Code of Conduct of the Bar of England and Wales (8<sup>th</sup> Edition).

#### Details of offence:

Michael Shrimpton behaved in a way which was dishonest or otherwise discreditable and/or likely to diminish the public confidence in the legal profession or otherwise bring the legal profession into disrepute, in that between 19-20 April 2012, he communicated information to persons which he knew or believed to be false, namely that a bomb was present in the London area for which he was convicted before the Crown Court sitting at Southwark on 25 November 2014 of two counts of communicating false information with intent, contrary to section 51(2) of the Criminal Law Act 1977, for which he was sentenced to 12 months imprisonment on 6 February 2015.

Michael Shrimpton behaved in a way which was dishonest or otherwise discreditable and/or likely to diminish the public confidence in the legal profession or otherwise bring the legal profession into disrepute, in that between 11 July 2011 and 20 April 2012, he made images of pseudo images of children for which he was convicted by East Berkshire Magistrates' Court on 20 February 2014 of an offence contrary to the Protection of Children Act 1978, for which he was sentenced to a 3 year Supervision Order, was made the subject of a 5 year Sex Offender

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Prevention Order, was ordered to be placed on the Sex Offender Register for 5 years and was ordered to pay costs.

**Sanction:** Disbarred.

**Status:** Open to Appeal.