



The Bar Tribunals & Adjudication Service

The Council of the Inns of Court

Disciplinary Tribunal

ROY HEADLAM ESQ

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

Type of hearing: 5 Person Disciplinary Tribunal

Date of decision: 12th December 2017

In breach of:

Paragraphs 307 and 301(a)(i) of the Code of Conduct of the Bar of England and Wales (8th Edition) and Core Duty 4, 5 and 9 of the Bar Standards Board Handbook.

Details of offence:

Roy Headlam behaved in a way which failed to maintain his independence, in that during the period that he represented a female client X in criminal proceedings, November 2013 to 5 January 2014 he gave X a sum or sums of money between £200 - £300.

Roy Headlam behaved in a way which failed to maintain his independence, in that during the period that he represented a female client X in criminal proceedings he gave X a cheque in the sum of £2,000.

Roy Headlam behaved in a way which was likely to diminish the trust and confidence which the public places in the profession in that during the period that he represented client X in criminal proceedings he gave X a cheque in the sum of £2,000.

Roy Headlam engaged in conduct which was dishonest or otherwise discreditable to a barrister in that by letter dated the 4th December 2013 in response to the BSB's complaint under reference PC 2012/0568, he falsely claimed: a) he had no spare funds with which to pay a financial penalty imposed by the BSB of £300; b) he had no bank account of any kind; c) he had to conduct all transactions in cash.

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Roy Headlam between the 30th November 2015 and the 7th October 2016 failed to be open and co-operative with his regulatory body in that he failed to adequately co-operate with the BSB in relation to its ongoing investigations in to his conduct.

Sanction: Original sanction of 6 months Suspension quashed on Appeal;
Sanction of £5,000 Fine substituted. Original Fine of £1,250 and
Reprimand to stand.

Status: Final.