

The Council of the Inns of Court

Disciplinary Tribunal

EHI ANDREW UKIWA

Called to the Bar by: Middle Temple, October 2010

Type of hearing: 5 Person Tribunal

Date of decision: 28 June 2018

In breach of:

Core Duty 1, 3 and / or 5 and Rules rS6 and rS8 of the Bar Standards Board Handbook.

Details of offence:

Ehi Andrew Ukiwa whilst an unregistered barrister, carried out reserved legal activity, when not entitled to do so under the Legal Services Act 2007 [as amended], and thereby behaved in a way which was likely to diminish the trust and confidence which the public places in a barrister or in the profession. He did so by purporting to exercise a right of audience in proceedings which concerned the estate of Adebayo George Olaifa [deceased] ["the Olaifa Proceedings] on the following occasions: i] 5 September 2016 in the County Court at Bromley; ii] 11 October 2016 in the Chancery Division of the High Court at the Rolls Building and iii] 6 December 2016 in the Chancery Division of the High Court at the Rolls Building.

Ehi Andrew Ukiwa whilst an unregistered barrister and not authorised to hold a practising certificate, practised as a Barrister and thereby behaved in a way which was likely to diminish the trust and confidence which the public places in a barrister or in the profession. He did so by practising as a Barrister, purporting to be authorised to carry out a reserved legal activity [exercise a right of audience] and presenting a party in the Olaifa Proceedings on the following occasions: i] 5 September 2016 in the County Court at Bromley; ii] 11 October 2016 in the Chancery Division of the High Court at the Rolls Building and iii] 6 December 2016 in the Chancery Division of the High Court at the Rolls Building.

On 20 January 2017, Ehi Andrew Ukiwa, whilst a pupil barrister in the first period of his pupillage, carried out reserved legal activity, when not entitled to do so under the Legal Services Act 2007 [as amended] and thereby behaved in a way which was likely to diminish the trust and confidence which the public places in a barrister or in the profession, and/or failed to act with integrity. He did so by purporting to exercise a right of audience and to represent a party in the Olaifa Proceedings in the Chancery Division of the High Court at the Rolls Building, in circumstances where he knew that he was not entitled or authorised to do so.

On 20 January 2017, Ehi Andrew Ukiwa, whilst a pupil barrister in the first period of his pupillage, at a time when he did not have a practising certificate, practised as a Barrister and thereby failed to act with honesty and/or integrity. He did so by practising as a Barrister, and purporting to be authorised to carry out a reserved legal activity [exercise of a right of audience] in the Olaifa Proceedings in the Chancery Division of the High Court at the Rolls Building, in circumstances where he knew that he was not entitled or authorised to do so, alternatively was reckless as to whether or not he was entitled or authorised to do so.

On 20 January 2017, Ehi Andrew Ukiwa, whilst a pupil barrister in the first period of his pupillage, at a time when he did not have a practising certificate, practised as a Barrister and thereby behaved in a way which was likely to diminish the trust and confidence which the public places in a barrister or in the profession. He did so by practising as a Barrister, and purporting to be authorised to carry out a reserved legal activity [exercise of a right of audience] in the Olaifa Proceedings in the Chancery Division of the High Court at the Rolls Building.

On 20 January 2017, Ehi Andrew Ukiwa, whilst a pupil barrister in the first period of his pupillage, failed to observe his duty to the Court in the administration of justice. He did so by appearing and purporting to exercise a right of audience and representing a party in the Olaifa Proceedings in the Chancery Division of the High Court at the Rolls Building, without having a practising certificate issued by the Bar Council.

Sanction: 6 Months Suspension.

Status: Open to Appeal.