

The Council of the Inns of Court

Disciplinary Tribunal

ANDREW AHI UKIWA

Called to the Bar by: Middle Temple, October 2010

Type of hearing: 5 Person Tribunal

Date of decision: 9 October 2020

In breach of:

Paragraphs 301(a)(i), 301(a)(ii), 301(a)(iii) and pursuant to paragraph 901.7 of the Code of Conduct of the Bar of England and Wales (8th Edition) and Core Duty 9 and rule rC65.7 5 of the Bar Standards Board Handbook.

Details of offence:

Andrew Ehi Ukiwa engaged in conduct which was dishonest or otherwise discreditable to a barrister, in that, on a date between March 2013 and November 2013, he deliberately and in an attempt to deceive the court and Mrs R, wrongly stated that Mrs R's address was at [an address unknown to Mrs R and which was not her address], knowing that Mrs R had no connection with that address, and that someone else at that address would complete and return the acknowledgement of service with the intention of obtaining a divorce fraudulently.

Andrew Ehi Ukiwa behaved in a manner prejudicial to the administration of justice, in that, on a date between March 2013 and November 2013, he deliberately and in an attempt to deceive the court and Mrs R, wrongly stated that Mrs R's address was at [an address unknown to Mrs R and which was not her address], knowing that Mrs R had no connection with that address, and that someone else at that address would complete and return the acknowledgement of service with the intention of obtaining a divorce fraudulently.

Andrew Ehi Ukiwa behaved in a manner likely to diminish public confidence in the legal profession or the administration of justice or otherwise bring the legal profession into disrepute

in that, on a date between March 2013 and November 2013, he deliberately and in an attempt

to deceive the court and Mrs R, wrongly stated that Mrs R's address was at [an address unknown

to Mrs R and which was not her address], knowing that Mrs R had no connection with that

address, and that someone else at that address would complete and return the

acknowledgement of service with the intention of obtaining a divorce fraudulently.

Andrew Ehi Ukiwa, a BSB regulated person, failed to report to the Bar Standards Board that he

had committed serious misconduct, in that, on the 15 December 2016, a Judge found that he

had deliberately and in an attempt to deceive the court and Mrs R wrongly stated that Mrs R's

address was at [an address unknown to Mrs R and which was not her address], knowing that

Mrs R had no connection with that address, and that someone else at that address would

complete and return the acknowledgement of service with the intention of obtaining a divorce

fraudulently. Mr Ukiwa failed to report to the BSB that finding of serious misconduct promptly

or at all.

Sanction:

Disbarred.

Status:

Appeal Dismissed.

2