



# The Bar Tribunals & Adjudication Service

The Council of the Inns of Court

## Disciplinary Tribunal

### JANET BLOOR

Called to the Bar by: Inner Temple, November 2005

Type of hearing: 5 Person Tribunal

Date of decision: 9 June 2022

#### In breach of:

Core Duty 5 and Rule rC8 of the Bar Standards Board Handbook.

#### Details of Offence:

Janet Bloor, an unregistered barrister, 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 behaved in a way which could reasonably be seen by the public to undermine her honesty, integrity, and independence, in that in correspondence sent to Autoinflammatory Disease UK on or about the 28 and 29 August 2019, Ms Bloor stated or otherwise represented that:

- i. She was corresponding, as a lawyer, on behalf of an organisation;
- ii. She would be preparing a letter before action on behalf of the organisation;
- iii. Her costs for legal work she was performing were £250 per hour which she would seek to recover from the recipient of the correspondence;
- iv. She intended to instruct leading counsel to whom she would act as junior counsel and that leading counsel's fees would be £2500 per day for court appearances and £1500 for case conferences; and
- v. Did not state or otherwise make clear that she was an unregistered barrister

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In circumstances where she knew that she was an unregistered barrister who was not entitled to provide legal services as a barrister and knew that the impression given by her correspondence was that she was providing legal services as a barrister, Ms Bloor behaved dishonestly. Alternatively, Ms Bloor knew, or ought to have known that she was an unregistered barrister who was not entitled to provide legal services as a barrister and was reckless as to whether the impression given by her correspondence was that she was providing legal services as a barrister.

Janet Bloor, an unregistered barrister, 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 behaved in a way which could reasonably be seen by the public to undermine her integrity, in that in correspondence sent to Autoinflammatory Disease UK on or about the 28 and 29 August 2019, Ms Bloor acted in a manner which:

- i. Was bullying and aggressive;
- ii. Failed to take care to avoid unnecessary stress to the individuals who would likely read the correspondence; and
- iii. Sought to use her position as a barrister to threaten somebody or otherwise gain advantage.

**Sanction:** Reprimanded

**Status:** Open to Appeal.