

Natasha Edwards Employee 7172529

Employee-related decision Date: 3 March 2025

Decision - Employee-related decision

Outcome: Control of non-qualified staff (Section 43 / Section 99 order)

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Firm details

Firm or organisation at time of matters giving rise to outcome

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Firm ID: 509874

Outcome details

This outcome was reached by SRA decision.

Decision details

Who does this decision relate to?

Natasha Edwards whose last known address was in Thornton Heath, London.

A person who is or was involved in a legal practice but is not a solicitor.

Summary of decision

The SRA has put restrictions on where and how Natasha Edwards can work in an SRA regulated firm. It was found that:

Ms Edwards, who is not a solicitor, was involved in a legal practice and has been convicted of a criminal offence which is such that it is undesirable for her to be involved in a legal practice in any of the ways described in the order below.



The facts of the case

On 29 July 2023 Ms Edwards caused grievous bodily harm with intent to do grievous bodily harm and wounded / inflicted grievous bodily harm without intent. She was convicted in January 2024 and sentenced in March 2024 to an immediate custodial sentence of 69 months, and 24 months to run concurrently.

Decision on outcome

An order pursuant to section 43(2) of the Solicitors Act 1974 was imposed as Ms Edwards' conduct meant that it was undesirable for her to be involved in a legal practice without the SRA's prior approval. The order pursuant to section 43 was made with effect from the date of this decision:

As is reflected in the immediate custodial sentences Ms Edwards' conduct was serious. Two individuals were seriously harmed in an attack planned and/or encouraged by Ms Edwards. A third individual was threatened with serious harm in the same incident.

Ms Edwards was also ordered to pay a proportion of the SRA's costs of £600.

What our Section 43 order means

- i. no solicitor shall employ or remunerate her in connection with his/her practice as a solicitor;
- ii. no employee of a solicitor shall employ or remunerate her in connection with the solicitor's practice;
- iii. no recognised body shall employ or remunerate her;
- iv. no manager or employee of a recognised body shall employ or remunerate her in connection with the business of that body;
- v. no recognised body or manager or employee of such a body shall permit her to be a manager of the body; and
- vi. no recognised body or manager or employee of such a body shall permit her to have an interest in the body

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