

Statement

Axiom Ince intervention

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We have <u>intervened into Axiom Ince [https://rules.sra.org.uk/consumers/solicitor-check/628201/]</u> at various addresses.

This to protect the interests of clients and former clients of the firm.

This intervention follows our previous closures of the individual practices of <u>Pragnesh Modhwadia</u>, [https://rules.sra.org.uk/consumers/solicitor-check/394676/] <u>Idnan Liaqat [https://rules.sra.org.uk/consumers/solicitor-check/493568/]</u> and <u>Shyam Mistry [https://rules.sra.org.uk/consumers/solicitor-check/583185/]</u>, former directors of the firm.

An intervention means we have closed a firm with immediate effect. We will stop the firm from operating, take possession of all documents and papers held by the firm, and take possession of all money held by the firm (including clients' money). We are not responsible towards employees or trade creditors of firms that we have intervened in.

We have appointed agents – other solicitor firms - to deal with all matters currently held by Axiom Ince. The agents will assess all on-going matters and deal with those of greatest need first. Our archive team will take control of all documents relating to closed matters held by the firm, such as copies of deeds and wills.

Clients of Axiom Ince do not need to contact either the agents or us at this time. If anyone does have an urgent query, however, then further information on who best to contact [https://rules.sra.org.uk/sra/news/axiom-ince-intervention-information/] is available. Clients and former clients might find our FAQs [https://rules.sra.org.uk/consumers/faqs/faqs-for-consumers/#collapse_765d] useful before contacting either the agents or ourselves.

As there are on-going investigations related to this matter, no further details can be disclosed. It is only if further action become necessary that any information is released into the public domain. There is no timescale for how long this work will take.

Read further information on our intervention into Axiom Ince [https://rules.sra.org.uk/sra/news/axiom-ince-intervention-information/], including details about agents.

<u>Information on interventions for the public</u>
[https://rules.sra.org.uk/consumers/problems/solicitor-closed-down/intervention/].