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Decision - Control of practice

Outcome: Condition

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Firm details

Firm or organisation at time of matters giving rise to outcome

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This outcome was reached by SRA decision.

Decision details

Antony John Mao's practising certificate for 2024 / 2025 is subject to the following conditions:

1. Mr Mao may not act as a manager or owner of any authorised body.
2. Mr Mao may not practise on his own account under regulation 10.2(a) or (b) of the SRA Authorisation of Individuals Regulations.
3. Mr Mao is not to act as a compliance officer for legal practice (COLP) or a compliance officer for finance and administration (COFA) for any authorised body.

4. Mr Mao is not to act as a Money Laundering Compliance Office (MLCO) or Money Laundering Reporting Officer (MLRO) for any authorised body.
5. Mr Mao does not hold or receive client money, act as a signatory to any client or office account or have the power to authorise transfers from any client or office account.

In these conditions the terms are as defined in the SRA Glossary.

Reasons/basis

The above conditions are made under rule 3.2 of the SRA Regulatory and Disciplinary Procedure Rules, which states that at any stage an authorised decision maker may, pending a final decision by the SRA or the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal, impose interim conditions on the practising certificate of a solicitor. We are satisfied that these conditions are necessary in the public interest or for the protection of the public.

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