



use legal services, doing so by traditional demographics such as age, ethnicity or economic status may not be the most appropriate approach.

[Read more about: New thinking needed into how legal consumers are segmented](https://consultations.sra.org.uk/sra/research-publications/consumer-segmentation-research/)
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Practising certificate renewals 2023/24

[<https://consultations.sra.org.uk/mysra/updates/practising-certificate-registration-renewals/>]

Practising certificates and registrations renewals will take place in October 2023. This year there are no new questions or changes to what we are asking for. However, we have made enhancements to the applications to improve your experience.

[Read more about: Practising certificate renewals 2023/24](https://consultations.sra.org.uk/mysra/updates/practising-certificate-registration-renewals/) [<https://consultations.sra.org.uk/mysra/updates/practising-certificate-registration-renewals/>]

Non-disclosure agreements thematic review

[<https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/press/2023-press-releases/nda-thematic-review/>]

We have published a report into how non-disclosure agreements (NDAs) are prepared between employers and their staff, and the role of law firms in drafting and agreeing these. The report outlines steps you can take to make sure you uphold your professional obligations when working in this area.

[Read more about: Non-disclosure agreements thematic review](https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/press/2023-press-releases/nda-thematic-review/) [<https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/press/2023-press-releases/nda-thematic-review/>]

Annual reports outline our operational performance

[<https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/press/2023-press-releases/annual-reports-2021-22/>]

We have published our latest reports on our operational work during 2021/22. The reports cover areas including education and training, enforcement, approval of new firms and solicitors, and the activity of the compensation fund.

[Read more about: Annual reports outline our operational performance](https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/press/2023-press-releases/annual-reports-2021-22/)
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Reflect on your continuing competence

[<https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/sra-update-119-continuing-competence/>]

As a solicitor you have an obligation to keep your skills and knowledge up to date so you can continue to provide the high standards of service expected. Declaring that you've done this is part of your practising renewal process each year.

[Read more about: Reflect on your continuing competence](https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/sra-update-119-continuing-competence/) [<https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/sra-update-119-continuing-competence/>]

Money laundering and enforcement – stay on the right side

[<https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/events/on-demand-events/aml-enforcement-trends/>]

Catch up on our recent webinar on money laundering and our approach to enforcement, which outlines trends seen in cases within our investigations. You can also pick up tips on what controls you can put in place to avoid common AML breaches.

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Catch up with the latest on lawtech [<https://publications.sra.org.uk/lawtech-insight-july-2023/>]

The current issue of Lawtech Insight sees Tech reporter Jane Wakefield explore how the arrival of ChatGPT will transform traditional roles and day-to-day business at law firms. Other news includes how AI has put the most skilled professions at highest risk, how it could be regulated in the future, and its role in the justice system.

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Ombudsman webinars on complaints handling

[<https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/sra-update-119-ombudsman-webinars/>]



The Legal Ombudsman has a series of webinars coming up that focus on complaints handling. Firms with more effective complaints systems can avoid referrals to the Ombudsman for investigation.

[Read more about: Ombudsman webinars on complaints handling \[https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/sra-update-119-ombudsman-webinars/\]](https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/sra-update-119-ombudsman-webinars/)

Book now for Compliance Officers Conference 2023

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You can now book your place at our Compliance Officers Conference, taking place at the International Convention Centre, Birmingham, on 18 October. With more than 20 sessions, it is an opportunity to get the latest updates and practical advice on key issues ranging from anti-money laundering to innovation, cybercrime to our Accounts Rules.

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Your health, your career [\[https://consultations.sra.org.uk/solicitors/resources-archived/your-health-your-career/\]](https://consultations.sra.org.uk/solicitors/resources-archived/your-health-your-career/)

Are you worried about your health affecting your work? Life as a solicitor can be challenging and the demands and pressures can easily build up. We can signpost you to sources of help and make adjustments for you if you are in difficulty.

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Welcome to the latest issue of Compliance News. With a series of new announcements and imminent deadlines looming, this month's edition features a number of important updates regarding your firm's compliance with the UK sanctions regime. We also highlight that the date is fast approaching when Economic Crime Levy payments will need to be made. Also fast approaching is our annual Compliance Officers Conference in Birmingham on 18 October. Bookings are open for the event. I and many of my colleagues will be there – it's a great opportunity to catch up and for us to hear what's on your mind. You can also get all the latest compliance updates, so make sure you've secured your place at the sessions you're most interested in. Find out how to book below.

Paul Philip

Chief Executive

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Financial Sanctions - be aware of the changes

[\[https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/sra-update-119-sanctions-changes/\]](https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/sra-update-119-sanctions-changes/)

The Government's financial sanctions regime is frequently changing. In recent weeks we have seen a number of changes to the regime as the Government adapts to the challenges it faces. You should keep up to date with these changes to make sure you are compliant.

[Read more about: Financial Sanctions - be aware of the changes \[https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/sra-update-119-sanctions-changes/\]](https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/sra-update-119-sanctions-changes/)

How are you dealing with the sanctions?

[\[https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/sra-update-119-sanctions-data/\]](https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/sra-update-119-sanctions-data/)

We have collected data about how you have been dealing with the sanctions regime. There will now be a programme of on-site inspections and desk-based reviews to assess firms' sanctions risk exposure and how they are mitigating their risk.

[Read more about: How are you dealing with the sanctions? \[https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/sra-update-119-sanctions-data/\]](https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/sra-update-119-sanctions-data/)

Check your Economic Crime Levy status

[\[https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/sra-update-119-economic-levy/\]](https://consultations.sra.org.uk/news/news/sra-update-119-economic-levy/)

