

Failing to Respond Promptly

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Called to the bar: May 15, 1970

The Law Society wrote to the member on March 22, 1991 requesting his explanation of a matter.

The society sent follow-up letters on April 23 and on May 10. On May 22 the member telephone the Law Society, apologized for his delay and stated he would have a response to the Society by Friday, May 24 or Monday, May 27, at the latest. He did not do so.

On June 6, 1991 the Chairman of the Discipline Committee directed that a citation be issued against the member for his failure to respond. On September 9, 1991, four days before the scheduled hearing date, the member wrote to the Society. In that letter he admitted he had been guilty of a discipline violation in failing to respond promptly to Law Society correspondence.

The Standing Discipline Committee accepted the member's admission of a discipline violation on December 7.

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