#### Schedule A

Hi, my name is Marie Odtojan, and I'm the principal solicitor and founder of Odtojan Bryl Lawyers. Now if you don't know me, you should know me, okay? I'm based in Sydney Australia and I'm actually known for a lawyer who actually fighting corruption and criminality in our legal profession and in the finance sector.

Now I'm going to show you something of what the Law Society of New South Wales has done without any lawful process, without no due process. no adherence to the law, no court Proceedings, nothing. And they have simply tampered, unlawfully, with my legitimate renewal of my practicing certificate, including my partners, and have jeopardized my firm.

I'll show you this. So this is my Law Society portal and right now there is renewals for um practicing certificates and so this is what happens. My renewals there's nothing to renew and look at this my applications, associate member and student membership.

Now I have been practicing for 15 years. I got no notification by the Law Society professional standards department. Ms Griswold is director. The registry office head of registry in Law Society is Nadya Haddad and the Law Society council with the president is Jennifer Ball. And the former president is Brett McGrath. And then there's effectively 15 members. The legal commissioner is also is part of this.

Now I've been practicing for 15 years. No notice was given to me. I have no renewal ability to renew my practicing certificate and I have no ability to renew my membership as a practicing solicitor. I have been reduced to student membership and associate membership. Now we have a problem here because Law Society has done unlawful acts. They have tampered with my data and evidence of me as a lawyer.

Now this is not just me. This is also my partner. That's it, I cannot renew my practicing certificate or membership. If they did this you are witnessing a targeted discriminatory hate crime done by the Law Society. No lawful process, no due process, contempt for the laws. They did not put me through any NCAT. There are no orders, determinations of any kind. I'm simply finding out these things by ambush. By ambush because I get no notification from the Law Society PSD department or the law council that they have prevented me from renewing my practice certificate and my membership. Now it's very important to understand that the Law Society professional standards department have an interest. They have been covering up criminality and fraud which I have reported many reports to them of Piper Alderman, Mr Ford, Mr Glynn, Mr Condon, Hartford-Davis. Impersonation of lawyers of Natalie Miller, Owen Nanlohy, um and many more.

You know Rosier, the cost assessor who allowed Mr Ford to benefit from his fraudulent accounts. No questions asked about where is the missing funds that Mr Glenn's trust account has stated is paid to his account. No questions at all. He's a cost assessor! This went to the New South Wales Supreme Court cost assessment and allowed him to benefit from his fraud. And this he was reported to the Law Society and with this report Law Society just closed it, closed the report because apparently he's not in a capacity of a lawyer. And shortly after gave him an award of which Peter Rossier stated himself he has no idea why he got an award from the Law Society.

And then we have the former uh legal commissioner who covered up all the uh reports that I made of Piper Alderman. He even responded on behalf of Natalie Miller. He has no jurisdiction to determine unqualified persons um the legal commissioner's office. He actually has to put it to the PSD, but he blocked it. And although I also reported it and directed that report to the PSD they also did acts and things to close it. And so Miss Natalie Miller and all the people I have reported continue to practice.

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#### Schedule A

We have a Law Society who condones fraud, criminality and impersonation of lawyers. They have a very important function in our society and that is to uphold the law, to ensure the integrity of our courts and our profession and to actually govern the lawyers. The solicitors in this case because it's a Law Society. But they don't care about that! They want to cover up fraud and criminality when they pick and choose who to protect. So the people I reported are operating above the law.

Now the Law Society also received evidence of the fraud committed uh by the New South Wales Supreme Court Justices Leeming and Kirk, and Basten and White. And what do you think the law councils did? They simply ignored my notice. It's been about nine months now, ignored it.

And the law professional standards department and the Law Society had predetermined and agreed to fabricate findings of misconduct against me and my partner of which there is no evidence of such findings of misconduct. And in fabricating it they want me to admit to their fabrication of findings of misconduct. They listed my private civil cases of findings of misconduct where there's no determination or any statement of misconduct anywhere in a judgment or in court transcript because it's not even an issue that was addressed by any court. We were never before any court, and we have the Law Society professional standards department, with the 15 members of law council, fabricating findings of misconduct – alleging it against us, and then mocks us and states you have not disclosed the very thing they created in 2024 of misconduct. They say I have not disclosed in my declaration a renewal since 2017 onwards. They effectively are stating that I'm a fraud all these years. So they went for my practicing certificate, tampered with it in the financial 2024/25 and only notified me after they did the deed - the unlawful deed. And then when I gave them notice in August last year 2024 that they are engaging in corrupt unlawful acts the Law Society Council ignores me. To date no answer. The PSD ignored me and only responded to me because I wrote an email to the head of registry asking what happened to our membership? We were shocked! We looked at our portal and it's like where's all our data? We're not we're not on the record. We're no longer searchable. Our data simply disappeared. They're just doing fraudulent acts after another and we're just caught by ambush because no notice is given to us.

I sent an email to the Head of Registry, Nadya Haddad, and asked her what happened to our membership. You know what she did? She ignores that email. Shortly after, in March 24, this year, a letter came from the PSD department – where she assigned herself on our matter, and says that she is now the PSD Officer on the matter, removing Ms Griswold, of which I have alleged that Ms Griswold had done unlawful acts and fabricated findings of misconduct which does not exist. And Ms Haddad completely ignores the email that was sent to her asking what happened to our Practising Certificate and our membership. She just ignores it. And then she says to me and Mr Bryl that she says "Thank you for letting us know of our error." Nobody said anything about error. And this is how dishonest this woman is. She writes on the letterhead of the Law Society Professional Standards Department and says "Thank you for giving us notice of the error that it's an allegation of misconduct. Nobody ever said that they made any error. I said to them that they have engaged in unlawful, corrupt conduct of fabricating a statement of fact of misconduct. Now she's saying "Oh, it's an allegation." It's irrelevant whether it's an allegation or a statement of fact. It is still a fabrication of misconduct. And that's the mockery I get. That's the gross dishonesty of someone as an officer in the Law Society who is supposed to be of integrity and honesty. And not only is she a PSD officer – she is a lawyer so she's fully aware what she's doing. And then she continues to rely on the fabricated misconduct.

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#### Schedule B

- 1. The specific false statements that you have made in the in the OBL blog post, and which comprise part of the second matter complained of set out in Schedule C, include the following:
  - (a) The individuals named below, acting both as public officers and as legal practitioners, had a positive legal and ethical duty to prevent, report, and refuse participation in unlawful conduct. Instead, despite notice to them by Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl, they knowingly condoned and enabled acts of serious regulatory and criminal misconduct perpetrated against two innocent solicitors and their legal practice...
    - ...2. Ms Nadya Haddad, Deputy Director of Legal Regulation LSNSW & Director of Licensing of the LSNSW of the Registry Office;
  - (b) Between 8 July 2024 and 21 May 2025, we were subjected to a sustained campaign of harassment and intimidation, beginning with correspondence from the LSNSW, Ms Griswold Director of PSD and then in subsequent correspondences from Ms Nadya Haddad, Deputy Director of PSD, containing false and fabricated allegations against each of us stating as a fact and allegation that there were "misconduct", "prior misconduct" and "findings of misconduct" against each of us.

Ms Griswold and Ms Haddad had sought admissions to misconduct, stating that 'Council will consider what steps you had taken to address the 'prior misconduct' '. Ms Griswold even provided the option for the solicitors to withdraw their renewal applications, effectively to cease being practising solicitors.

In the LSNSW letters, Ms Griswold and Ms Haddad provided no evidence or particulars to substantiate their serious allegations of misconduct, yet they continued to rely upon 'misconduct'.

- (c) The proper disciplinary process under the Uniform Law is [sic] well known to the Law Council, the Law Society of NSW, and Ms Griswold as Director of Professional Standards, who routinely initiate proceedings in NCAT to determine breaches involving Unsatisfactory Professional Conduct (s 299) or Professional Misconduct (s 300). Allegations of Professional Misconduct must be determined by a designated tribunal.
  - Yet in the case of Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl, the Law Society, through Ms Griswold and Ms Haddad, deliberately omitted all reference to these mandatory legal processes in their correspondence, denying the solicitors the right to a lawful hearing.
- (d) Yet despite having no such findings and no disciplinary proceedings, the LSNSW recorded our names on 29 May 2025, in the OLSC Solicitors Disciplinary Register as being "unfit" to practise, a classification made without any lawful basis. Such conduct constitutes fraud. We were defrauded of our right to practise law.

This record was maliciously created by Ms Griswold, Ms Haddad, and members of the Law Council of NSW, all acting with self-serving, retaliatory intent. It was done:

- a. Without a Tribunal hearing
- b. Without procedural fairness,

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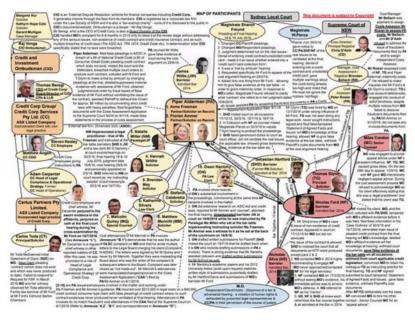
- c. And by administrative ambush, completely outside the lawful disciplinary pathway required under the Uniform Law. In contravention of chapter 5 of the Uniform Law.\
- (e) Ms Griswold wilfully ignored our letters dated 13 and 15 August 2024, which contained detailed particulars and supporting documents evidencing false records and misrepresentations made by Justices Leeming, Kirk, Basten, and White in the NSW Court of Appeal in their judgments in the Tort Damages cases against Mr Miles Condon SC, Mr Nicolas Ford, and Mr Thomas Glynn.

  Rather than refer the matter for investigation under Section 465 of the Uniform Law, Ms Griswold with Ms Haddad and the Law Council, actively suppressed the allegations.
- (f) 18. CALL TO ACTION IMMEDIATE ACTION...
  - ... 2. Resignation and removal of individuals responsible for enabling and executing this abuse of power, including:...
  - ...b. Ms Nadya Haddad, Deputy Director of PSD and Director of Licensing in the LSNSW Registry;

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# Public Notice: Urgent Call for Criminal Investigation into Corrupt Conduct in NSW Legal System/Legal Profession

13 June 2025



Ms Odtojan's Report on Piper Aiderman 17 June 2018 - Map of Participants\_CreditCorp\_OLSC

To: Premier of NSW Chris Minns
NSW Police & Australian Federal Police

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We, Marie Odtojan and Artem Bryl, solicitors of the Supreme Court of New South Wales and the High Court of Australia, issue this public notice to expose and call for urgent investigation into calculated, serious abuses of power, unlawful and retaliatory conduct committed by legal authorities in New South Wales.

#### This Notice

What is set out in this notice is not an isolated incident, it reflects what can only be described as institutionalised corruption, regulatory fraud, and a coordinated cover-up.

It is a case where the very institutions entrusted to uphold the law, the Law Society of New South Wales (LSNSW) and the Office of the Legal Services Commissioner (OLSC), are alleged to have colluded to silence innocent whistleblowers, solicitors who are also victims and witnesses to the acts disclosed in the reports made by Ms Odtojan to OLSC/LSNSW and set out in this notice.

Since 2016, Ms Odtojan made reports to both the OLSC and LSNSW regarding serious misconduct, criminality and fraud by legal practitioners and unqualified persons. Rather than investigate, these bodies targeted her, her partner, Mr Bryl and her legal practice, with threats, intimidation, and ultimately, retaliation.

Ms Odtojan had also raised serious concerns of systemic circumvention of the Commonwealth Credit Laws and Commonwealth penalties by Credit Corp and its Lawyers (Certus Partners and Piper Alderman) See Systemic Circumvention of Commonwealth Credit Laws and Judicial Misuse; Deliberate Avoidance of Commonwealth Penalties and Fraud Against the Public; Urgent Federal Investigation Required into Regulatory Cover-Up and Retaliatory Abuse

With unblemished records and a combined 18 years of service to the community, Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl were unlawfully stripped of their practising certificates by the Law Society of NSW. Their firm, a fully compliant and operational legal practice of 12 years with no incidents or adverse reports, was collateral damage. Forced to cease operations in an instant upon receipt of the s 45 certificate, clients were left without representation, many in the middle of active proceedings and settlements. Distressed and disoriented, they expressed outrage and a deep sense of betrayal, demanding answers for what the Law Society had done to their trusted solicitors.

The economic loss, reputational damage, and personal devastation caused by the unlawful actions of the Law Society of NSW are irreparable. These acts represent a gross abuse of public office, a targeted retaliation against solicitors who courageously disclosed misconduct and lodged reports. Such actions of the LSNSW may amount to criminal conduct under applicable laws.

This is not regulation. This is institutionalised abuse of power, a deliberate act to suppress whistleblowing, erase accountability, and protect those reported and those who misuse the law from within.

2. Notice of Legal and Ethical Breach by Officers of the Law Society of NSW, OLSC, and Attorney General's Office

The individuals named below, acting both as public officers and as legal practitioners, had a positive legal and ethical duty to prevent, report, and refuse participation in unlawful conduct. Instead, despite notice to them by Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl, they knowingly condoned and enabled acts of serious regulatory and criminal misconduct perpetrated against two innocent solicitors and their legal practice.

- 1. Ms Valerie Griswold, Director of Legal Regulation, LSNSW;
- 2. Ms Nadya Haddad, Deputy Director of Legal Regulation LSNSW & Director of Licensing of the LSNSW of the Registry Office;
- 3. The Council of the LSNSW 15 members of The Law Council of LSNSW who were informed in our letter dated 15 August 2024:
  - a. Ms Jennifer Ball, Current LSNSW President;
  - b. Mr Brett McGrath Former LSNSW President (At the time of interfering with the solicitors' practicing certificates in May 2024);
  - c. Mr Ronan MacSweeney
  - d. Ms Cassandra Banks
  - e. Ms Lauren Absalom

- f. Mr Angelo Bilias
- g. Ms Danielle Captain-Webb
- h. Ms Jacqueline Dawson
- i. Ms Sylvia Fernandez
- j. Mr Anthony Gordon
- k. Ms Mary Macken
- I. Ms Moira Saville
- m. Ms Jade Tyrrell
- n. Ms Alexia Yazdani
- o. Ms Rebekah Hunter
  - New members as in May 2025 who were notified in May 2025:
- p. Kymberlei Goodacre
- q. Taylah Spirovski
- r. Vaughan Roles
- 4. Mr Michael Daley MP, NSW Attorney General
- 5. Dr Hugh McDermott MP
- 6. Samantha Gulliver, NSW Legal Services Commissioner
- 7. Officers and staff within the Law Society of NSW and the Office of the Legal Services Commissioner (OLSC) who assisted the conduct set out below.

Following nearly a year of the Law Society of NSW (LSNSW) making unfounded and inconsistent allegations in its correspondence, accusing Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl of "misconduct," "prior misconduct," and even "findings of misconduct", despite both solicitors holding unblemished records and never having been the subject of any disciplinary proceedings or findings, the LSNSW, through its Director of PSD, Ms Griswold, issued a formal Section 45 Decision just 12 days after a YouTube video was published on 17 May 2025. See <a href="Targeted Retaliation Against-Whistleblowers">Targeted Retaliation Against-Whistleblowers</a>, Victims and Witnesses

The individuals listed above were each given notice of the unlawful actions taken against two solicitors, actions carried out without due process or legal authority. Despite this, they remained silent and allowed those actions to continue and escalate, enabling further unlawful conduct.

Their silence and inaction reflect wilful intent and a coordinated effort to:

- Circumvent the *Legal Profession Uniform Law (NSW)* ("Uniform Law"), particularly Chapter 5 which mandates due process via tribunal determination;
- Fabricate a finding of "unfitness" in order to deny practising certificates and eliminate legal careers without lawful justification;
- Defraud Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl of their rights to practise law, with full knowledge that both solicitors have unblemished professional records and Ms Odtojan has maintained a compliant, operational legal practice with over 12 years of service with good standing in the community.

The Law Society of NSW issued three legal instruments, two under Section 45 and one under Section 334 of the Uniform Law, and proceeded to publish a disciplinary record against both solicitors and their firm, Odtojan Bryl Lawyers. This was done under the false guise of lawful authority, when in fact, the decision was based solely on fabricated and untested allegations, as well as subjective commentary that cast aspersions on the character of both solicitors.

15 August 2024

The Law Society of New South Wales
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Director, Licensing and Registry, The Law Society of NSW Ms Nadya Haddad registry@lawsociety.com.au
Copied: PSD psd@lawsociety.com.au and OLSC olsc@justice.nsw.gov.au

Dear NSW Law Society President, Law Council members and Director of Licensing and Registry.

- RE: Ms Valerie Griswold Director, Legal Regulation of NSW Law Society Professional Standard Department (PSD). Cases of M.Odtojan PSD2023\_57155 and A.Bryl PSD2023\_57157. Ms Griswold/PSD unfounded statement of facts: findings of misconduct, prior misconduct and non-disclosure of prior misconduct in the application for renewal of practising certificate.
- 1. We refer to the above matter and bring to your urgent attention our enclosed letters to the NSW Law Society Professional Standards Department (PSD) by Ms Marie Odtojan (Ms Odtojan) dated 13 August 2024 (MoLtrPSD) and Mr Artem Bryl (Mr Bryl) dated 13 August 2024 (ABLtrPSD) in response to Ms Valarie Griswold's (Ms Griswold) PSD letters to Ms Odtojan dated 8 July 2024 (PSDLtrMO) and to Mr Bryl dated 17 July 2024 (PSDLtrMB) (PSD letters), also enclosed.
- 2. We raise serious concerns of Ms Griswold's conduct, legal practitioner, officer and Director of PSD, as set out in our said letters and briefly herein, where Ms Griswold has recorded unfounded statements of facts of a serious nature, of misconductl'prior misconduct' against two legal practitioners under her office and letterhead of PSD where it appears that she has used her position, authority and delegated powers to influence the Law Council/Licensing and Registry Office (communications which are not made transparent to us), to affect and interfere with the legitimate renewal application of our practising certificates (certificates), based on false premises that there is a misconduct/prior misconduct by us.
- 3. We are concerned that there are representations being made by Ms Griswold, PSD Director to the Law Council or other members/staff of NSW Law Society regarding misconduct by us, where Ms Griswold would be aware that such representations are untrue and without basis, as there are no findings of misconduct against either of us. There are no determinations of misconduct by the designated tribunal, NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal (NCAT).
- 4. Ms Griswold's PSD letters to us were the first letters we received from PSD. Upon receipt of Ms Griswold's PSD letters, we were notified for the first time, only after the act has been done by Ms Griswold, that the first action taken by her was to arbitrarily affect our practising certificates (certificates)

Our letter to the Law Council of the Law Society of NSW dated 15 August 2024. At the time of writing, we were unaware that Council members were complicit in Ms Griswold's unlawful conduct. Their ongoing silence condone the serious breaches detailed in the letter. To date, none of the recipients have provided a response. Notably, the Law Society has since removed the public email addresses of its Council members from its website, further obstructing transparency and accountability. Click the image to read the full letter.

This case stands as a serious warning: unfounded allegations, especially when fabricated by a regulatory body, can irreparably destroy innocent lives and careers.

Here, the regulatory authority did not merely fail in its duty, it manufactured its own allegations and weaponised them to commit targeted, malicious acts. The result is a discriminatory and retaliatory abuse of power that undermines the legal profession and public trust in regulatory integrity.

These actions are not only a direct violation of Chapter 5 of the Uniform Law, they may also constitute possible offences under the Crimes Act 1900 (NSW) not limited to s 314-319 (except s 316A), s 192E, s 192G, s192H.

These individuals must now be held accountable. Their failure to self-report their own alleged misconduct, despite occupying statutory and regulatory positions of authority, renders them potential accessories to unlawful conduct and subjects them to investigation and possible removal from office.

Their actions reflect a grave disregard for the law and due process, including the misuse of legal instruments such as certificates issued under false premises, and presented to the public under the guise of lawful authority.

The public must be protected from individuals who demonstrate contempt for the law and the established legal processes which safeguard the rule of law and preserve the integrity of the legal system and the legal profession.

3. Misrepresentation and fabrication of 'Misconduct'

PSD Letter [6] 8, 4 'serious past misconduct' in Thomas v Legal Practitioners Admissions Board [2004] QCA 407 [2005] 1; An unfounded statement of fact constitutes a fabricated fact. Black's Law Dictionary, 2nd Ed. 'A fact that is not founded on a truth'.

Between 8 July 2024 and 21 May 2025, we were subjected to a sustained campaign of harassment and intimidation, beginning with correspondence from the LSNSW, Ms Griswold Director of PSD and then in subsequent correspondences from Ms Nadya Haddad, Deputy Director of PSD, containing false and fabricated allegations against each of us stating as a fact and allegation that there were "misconduct", "prior misconduct" and "findings of misconduct" against each of us.

Ms Griswold and Ms Haddad had sought admissions to misconduct, stating that 'Council will consider what steps you had taken to address the 'prior misconduct' '. Ms Griswold even provided the option for the solicitors to withdraw their renewal applications, effectively to cease being practising solicitors.

In the LSNSW letters, Ms Griswold and Ms Haddad provided no evidence or particulars to substantiate their serious allegations of misconduct, yet they continued to rely upon 'misconduct'.

Upon receiving Ms Griswold's first letter in July 2024, we promptly issued formal notices to the Law Society of NSW on 13 and 15 August 2024, clearly stating that their actions constituted unlawful and corrupt conduct. These notices were ignored.

Despite repeated requests, the LSNSW failed to provide any evidence or particulars to substantiate their unfounded allegations of misconduct. Instead, we found ourselves trapped in a Kafkaesque ordeal, where those entrusted to uphold the law abused their authority, disregarded our documents and evidence, and escalated their conduct with apparent intent to cause harm.

The more we gave notice and sought clarification, the more retaliatory and covert their actions became, carried out by ambush, and in flagrant disregard of legal process.

The LSNSW fabricated allegations of "misconduct" and proceeded to act upon that fabrication. Without any lawful basis, they undertook the following actions:

- a. In May 2024, interfered with the legitimate renewal of our practising certificates for FY 2024/2025 and placed us to operate 'in force' from our previous certificates FY 2023/2024. This was done without any notice to us. See below: 'Systemic Suppression of Lawyers Practising Rights'
- Tampered with our solicitor data where our records/evidence of us as solicitors disappeared
- c. We were no longer searchable on the LSNSW Registry of Solicitors.
- d. Despite receiving our renewal payments, we had no membership and could not access annual renewals for application for the legal practice and more.

The LSNSW repeatedly made serious allegations of misconduct in its correspondence to both Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl, in direct contradiction to its own formal decisions issued under Section 45 of the Uniform Law on 30 May 2025.

In both decisions on Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl, The Council of the Law Society of NSW expressly acknowledged and recorded, the following:

"There is no dispute that... there were no disciplinary findings of professional misconduct, or disciplinary action commenced against the Solicitor..."

This glaring inconsistency reveals a deeply troubling abuse of process, where allegations were presented as if they were established facts, despite the Law Society's own admission that no findings of misconduct exist. This conduct raises serious questions of bad faith, regulatory overreach, and procedural unfairness.

Yet, despite stating there were no disciplinary findings against us, the LSNSW, in a gross abuse of regulatory power and in clear contravention of the Uniform Law, the LSNSW unilaterally formed an opinion that both solicitors were "unfit" to practise law.

On 29 May 2025, both Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl's name were recorded in the OLSC Solicitors Disciplinary Register under the classification of "unfit to practise", a label made without legal authority and without due process.

This was not a regulatory oversight. It was and is a deliberate act of fraud. which the LSNSW continues to rely upon. We were defrauded of our legal right to practise, stripped of our practising certificates, and publicly defamed under a classification that has no lawful foundation in fact or law.

4. LSNSW Circumvents the Established Legal Process - Chapter 5 of the Uniform Law

Under the Uniform Law, there are only two recognised categories of disciplinary breach, 'Unsatisfactory Professional Conduct' ("UPC") and 'Professional Misconduct.' ("PM").

Any determination as to a legal practitioner's fitness to practise are made through formal disciplinary proceedings, initiated by the designated regulatory authority (the Law Society of NSW or the Bar Association), and heard by a designated tribunal. An excerpt is provided below from the LSNSW Legal Regulation Department Annual Report in 2024.

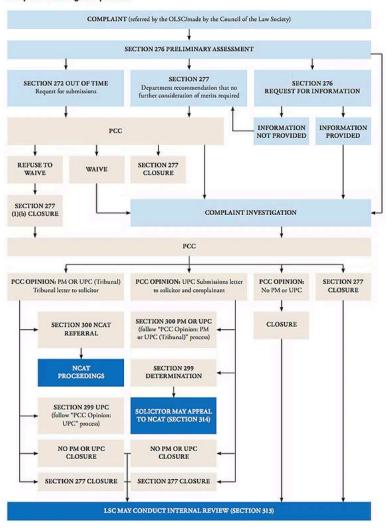
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Yet in the case of Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl, the Law Society, through Ms Griswold and Ms Haddad, deliberately omitted all reference to these mandatory legal processes in their correspondence, denying the solicitors the right to a lawful hearing.

Instead, the LSNSW unilaterally created a parallel, extra-judicial process designed specifically to label the two whistleblower solicitors as "unfit" based purely on internal opinion and unfounded allegations, under the false guise of lawful authority.

No\_regulatory officer or body has the power to unilaterally declare a practitioner "unfit" without adhering to this statutory process.

#### **Complaints investigation process**



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The Law Society of NSW / Ms Griswold Director of PSD circumvented the entire lawful process under the Uniform Law. They are fully aware of the process as regulators. Such acts demonstrate intent to disregard the law and defraud Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl of their practising certificates, recording they are 'not fit and proper' to hold a practising certificate where there were no findings of 'Unsatisfactory Professional Conduct' or 'Professional Misconduct' determined by an independant tribunal, NCAT. Throughout the LSNSW correspondences to Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl, they omit the process and do not refer to the Uniform Law in relation to UPC and PM and the designated Tribunal, NCAT.

#### 5. A Gross Miscarriage of Justice Against Two Lawyers of Good Standing

We are solicitors of unblemished professional record. Neither of us has ever faced disciplinary proceedings before NCAT or any court, nor have there been any findings of 'unsatisfactory professional conduct' or 'professional misconduct' against us.

Yet despite having no such findings and no disciplinary proceedings, the LSNSW recorded our names on 29 May 2025, in the OLSC Solicitors Disciplinary Register as being "unfit" to practise, a classification made without any lawful basis. Such conduct constitutes fraud. We were defrauded of our right to practise law.

This record was maliciously created by Ms Griswold, Ms Haddad, and members of the Law Council of NSW, all acting with self-serving, retaliatory intent. It was done:

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- And by administrative ambush, completely outside the lawful disciplinary pathway required under the Uniform Law. In contravention of chapter 5 of the Uniform Law.

Today, those false records remain publicly visible, accessible to clients, courts, colleagues, and institutions, permanently defaming our names under the false banner of "unfitness."

Each day it remains published, it inflicts irreparable damage: it erodes the legacy of two lawyers who served with integrity, and who have been punished not for wrongdoing, but for reporting misconduct and criminality, and speaking the truth.

This is not merely defamatory, it is a deliberate digital execution, engineered through fraud, and wielded to eliminate two whistleblowing legal professionals from the legal profession.

We now bear the burden of correcting an injustice that was manufactured with intent. Let the public record show: this is not regulation. This is a gross miscarriage of justice.

6. Targeted Retaliation Against Whistleblowers, Victims and Witnesses

Within just 12 days of the YouTube video published on 17 May 2025, the Law Society of NSW, acting in complete disregard of Chapter 5 of the Uniform Law, rushed to issue a Section 45 Certificate declaring Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl "unfit" to practise law, despite both solicitors having unblemished records and never being the subject of any disciplinary findings or proceedings.

This determination was made without a tribunal hearing, without procedural fairness, and without affording either solicitor the opportunity to be heard. It was a knee-jerk, retaliatory response, a gross miscarriage of justice committed by the very regulatory body entrusted to uphold the law, promote fairness, and preserve the rule of law.

In its Decision, the LSNSW used its office to extract screenshots and transcribe content from Ms Odtojan's YouTube video, proceeding to make ad hominem attacks and cast aspersions on her character. These matters were never disclosed to Ms Odtojan prior to issuing its Decision, nor was she given any opportunity to respond or defend herself.

This decision was not grounded in law or fact, but instead reflected a clear intent to punish whistleblowers, who are also victims and witnesses, and to suppress public disclosure.

In the YouTube video Ms Odtojan exposed the unlawful acts done by the LSNSW to her and Mr Bryl, by ambush, not limited to the following:

- a. Interfering with the legitimate renewal of their practising certificates FY 2014/2025 without legal basis and no prior notice to the solicitors. See 'Systemic Suppression of Lawyers Practising Rights'
- b. No access to Law Society applications and resources in solicitors' portals;
- c. No Law Society memberships, despite LSNSW receiving payments;
- d. Solicitors' statuses reduced to student and/or associate membership applications;
- Tampering with two solicitors' data in the LSNSW Public Registry of Solicitors who were
  no longer searchable. Evidence of two solicitors removed/deleted.

In the YouTube video and across correspondence, Ms Odtojan revealed she had submitted multiple reports to LSNSW PSD and OLSC since 2016, including a report dated 27 June 2018 in relation to Piper Alderman (PA) which pertained to alleged serious misconduct, fraud, criminality and impersonation of legal practitioners.

Ms Odtojan's report on Piper Alderman listed 7 lawyers, 2 law clerks/paralegals, involving: Mr Florian Ammer (PA Partner), Ms Anne Freeman (PA Partner), Mr Matthew Mennilli, Ms Hannah Veldre, Mr Malcolm Quirey, Mr Brendan May, Mr Stefano Calabretta, including conduct of Mr Nicolas Ford, Mr Thomas Glynn, Mr Miles Condon SC, Mr Sebastian Hartford Davis, Mr James Willis, Magistrate Sharon Freund, Mr Peter Rosier, impersonation of lawyers by Ms Natalie Miller and Mr Owen Nanlohy (paralegal/law clerk at PA at the time).

Despite their statutory duty under Section 465 of the Uniform Law to refer suspected offences to police, the LSNSW PSD and OLSC promptly closed all four reports submitted by Ms Odtojan, without referral or investigation.

On 15 November 2018, then Legal Services Commissioner John McKenzie (AM) acknowledged in his letter to Ms Odtojan, that the assessment of his office of her report on Piper Alderman identified 7 possible offences, as stated:

'a. Gross dishonesty, misleading and deceptive conduct... b. Conspiracy to.... i pervert the administration and course of justice... ii Defraud... iii, Conduct a hearing by ambush... c Fraud and collusion...'

Yet, despite this preliminary assessment identifying 7 categories of potential criminal offences under the Crimes Act 1900, Mr McKenzie:

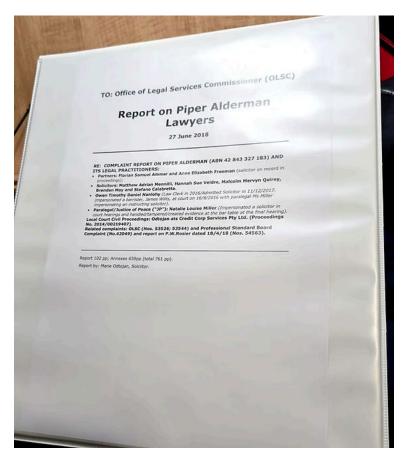
- a. Failed to refer the matter to authorities/police under s 465 Uniform Law;
- b. Disregarded over 650 pages of supporting evidence annexed to Ms Odtojan's report;
- c. Ultimately closed the matter, stating:

"I am not prepared to commit the limited resources of this Office to investigate your allegations when they are not supported by any cogent evidence. I am of the view that your complaints are misconceived and lacking in substance..."

Mr McKenzie then threatened Ms Odtojan, warning her of her "legal and ethical obligations" not to raise serious allegations against practitioners, even though she had provided evidence and was both a victim and a witness.

At the time, it is believed that Ms Samantha Guilliver, now Legal Services Commissioner, was already employed within the OLSC.

Notices were also sent in 2018 to Attorney General of NSW Mark Speakman and Governor General of NSW David Hurley, both of whom ignored the notices. Attorney General condoned Mr McKenzie's conduct.



Ms Odtojan's Report on Piper Alderman dated 27 June 2018. (102 pp. 659pp exhibits)

27 June 2018	
Office of the Legal Commissioner	
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Sydney NSW 2001	
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Ms Marie Odtojan PO Box 3738 PARRAMATTA NSW 2124

File Ref: 55385\_3 & 55386 to 55393:AO

15 November 2018

Dear Ms Odtojan

Complaint about Piper Alderman (55385), Florian Ammer (55386), Anne Freeman (55387), Matthew Mennilli (55388), Owen Nanlohy (55389), Hannah Veldre (55390), Malcolm Quirey (55391), Brendan May (55392),and Stephano Calabretta (55393)

I refer to your 9 complaint forms about the above lawyers, all dated 2 July 2018 and the 102 page letter dated 27 June 2018 (your letter of complaint) that was attached to a complaint form.

Before I deal with your complaints, it may be of assistance to you if I set out the role of this Office.

#### The role of the Legal Services Commissioner

The Legal Profession Uniform Law (NSW) (2014) (the LPUL), the Legal Profession Uniform Law Application Act 2014 and the Regulations and Rules made under these came into force on 1 July 2015.

The LPUL and its related legislation set out the rules which solicitors and barristers in New South Wales must follow and the standards of legal practice they must meet. The LPUL sets out two kinds of breaches of those standards:

Unsatisfactory professional conduct includes conduct occurring in connection with the practice of law that falls short of the standard of competence and diligence that a member of the public is entitled to expect of a reasonably competent lawyer.

**Professional misconduct** is more serious and includes unsatisfactory professional conduct where the conduct involves a substantial or consistent

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OLSC John McKenzie Letter dated 15 Nov 2028

failure to reach or maintain a reasonable standard of competence and diligence or is conduct that would, if established, justify a finding that the lawyer is not a fit and proper person to engage in legal practice.

Unsatisfactory professional conduct and professional misconduct can lead to disciplinary action. This can involve the imposition of a caution, fine or reprimand by this Office or a referral to the Occupational Division of the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal (the Tribunal). The purpose of disciplinary action is to protect the public, ensure that breaches do not occur again and correct the professional conduct that causes them.

#### Complain

My Office has completed the preliminary assessment of your complaints about the above lawyers which are as follows:

The partners and employees of Piper Alderman named in your complaints engaged in the following conduct:

- a. Gross dishonesty, misleading and deceptive conduct
- b. Conspiracy to:
- i. Pervert the administration and the course of justice
- ii. Defraud
- iii. Conduct a hearing by ambush
- c. Fraud and collusion
- d. Gross disrespect, disregard and breach of:
- i. Applicable statutory laws
- ii. Rules, procedures and processes of the justice system
- iii. Inherent confidentiality of the dispute resolution process
- Enabling and encouraging its employees to impersonate legal practitioners at court:
- i. Law clerk Mr Owen Nanlohy (now admitted as a lawyer)
- ii. Paralegal/Justice of Peace Ms Natalie Miller
- f. Assisting its client's witness to commit perjury

OLSC John McKenzie Letter dated 15 Nov 2028 Identifying Piper Alderman's alleged conduct reported

From: William Sit < William. Sit@lawsociety.com.au>

Date: Wed, 6 Nov 2019 at 14:32

Subject: Letter dated 6 November 2019

To: Marie Odtojan < marie odtojan@gmail com>

Dear Ms Odtojan,

Please find **attached** a courtesy letter dated 6 November 2019 confirming the Society's position in respect of your enquiry made about whether Natalie Miller and Owen Nanlohy engaged in unqualified legal practice.

A hard copy will be sent to you in the post.

Regards,

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LSNSW PSD email dated 6 Nov 2019, diminished Ms Odtojan's report on impersonation of lawyers by Natalie Miller and Owen Nanlohy to an enquiry and stating their 'position' on the matter. LSNSW PSD omit that Ms Miller and Mr Nanlohy are Piper Alderman employees. Mr William Sit currently works at the NSW Prosecutor's Office.



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Contact Person: William Sit Contact No: (02) 9926 0251 Our reference: 1283; 1284

6 November 2019

Ma Maria Cchojan

PANAMATTA NSW 2214

By Post and Emails

Dear Ms Odtojan

Your enquiry regarding Natalie Miller and Owen Nanlohy

You first wrote to the Law Society of New South Wales in July 2018 regarding whether Ms Natalie Miller or Mr Owen Nanlohy engaged in unqualified legal practice.

This is a courtesy letter to confirm that the Society has reviewed all the information and material that you provided, and it has determined that the matters will not need to be taken any further.

The Society thanks you for bringing the matters to our attention and confirms that our file will now be closed.

Yours faithfully

WILLIAM SIT Litigation Solicitor Professional Standards

The Law Society of New South Wales ("the Law Society") deals with the collection, security, quality, use and disclosure of personal information in accordance with the Privacy Act 1988 (Commonwealth).

Information provided by you will be used by the Law Society in order to fulfill all of its functions under the Legal Profession Uniform Law (NSW) and associated Regulations. The Law Society can only release the collected information in accordance with that legislation. For further information relating to the collection, security, quality, use and disclosure of personal information please refer to the Law Society's website at <a href="https://www.law.society.com.au">www.law.society.com.au</a>.

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LSNSW letter dated 6 Nov 2019. Diminishing Ms Odtojan report to enquiry and whether Ms Miller and Mr Nanlohy engaged in unqualified legal practice when it was reported that they did and was witnessed doing so in court. The evidence before LSNSW PSD was Piper Alderman's own account statements where Ms Miller attendances record her 'instructing' counsel and at the 2 day final hearing. Mr Sebastian Hartford Davis refers to Ms Miller as his instructing solicitor (when she is a paralegal) at court hearing. In Mr Florian Ammer's sworn affidavit 15 August 2016 records that Ms Natalie Miller instructs counsel. Mr Ammer condones impersonation of unqualified persons to act as lawyers and instruct counsel and charge solicitor rates Impersonating a lawyer is an offence which attracts 250 penalty units or imprisonment of 2 years or both. Such evidence was before the LSNSW PSD who "determined that the matters will not be taken any further". These

#### Motions

- 38. On 17 November 2015, the Plaintiff filed a notice of motion seeking to set aside paragraphs of a Notice to Produce issued by the Defendant which sought commercially sensitive information relating to the price paid by the Plaintiff for the debt. The motion came before the Court on 17 December 2015. Both parties were represented by Counsel that day. The plaintiff's Counsel was instructed by Ms Miller. The motion was resolved on that day by consent.
- 39. On 10 March 2016, the Defendant filed a notice of motion seeking leave to file a Further Amended Defence. That motion came before the Court for hearing on 30 March 2016. Both parties were again represented by Counsel and the Plaintiff's Counsel was again instructed by Ms Miller. The hearing of the Defendant's motion took a full day.

#### Estimated further costs

- 13. I estimate that further costs of \$2,200 (inclusive of GST) will be incurred in relation to attending at the final listing of this matter, at which Judgment will be given and the issue of costs will be determined by the Court. This estimate is based on the following:
  - 13.1 \$1,100 in Counsel's fees for three hours of time for Counsel to prepare for and appear at the final listing (\$250.00 x 4 + GST of 10%); and
  - 13.2 \$1,100 in Piper Alderman fees for three hours of time for Natalie Miller, a Paralegal under my supervision, to prepare for and instruct at the final listing (\$250.00 x 4 + GST of 10%).

An excerpt of Mr Florian Ammer's (Partner, Piper Alderman) sworn Affidavit 15 August 2016 clearly providing Ms Miller (paralegal in 2016) was 'instructing' counsel at final listing (hearing) charging solicitor's rate. Mr Ammer was not at the bar table but sitting at the back of the court room. In Piper Alderman's account statements, Ms Miller (paralegal) is charging solicitor's rate of \$2,150 for 8 hours. Such record was altered in the costs assessment in the Supreme court of NSW which was covered up with no questions asked by the costs assessor, Mr Peter Rosier, who has a statutory obligation as an assessor under the Uniform Law to refer such matters to the OLSC. Mr Rosier was also the assessor for Mr Nicolas Ford and Mr Thomas Glynn and he did the same act where he covered up fabricated accounts, no questions of unaccounted missing trust funds and more. Mr Rosier ignored all notices from Ms Odtojan and her serious concerns of him being wilfully blind to the fabricated accounts and engaging in improper conduct as a costs assessor. Mr Rosier, instead, engaged in ad hominem attacks on Ms Odtojan.

#### 8. Unlawful Issuance of Certificates Without Tribunal Oversight

Acting on behalf of the Council of the Law Society of NSW, Ms Griswold issued two certificates under Section 45 and one under Section 334 of the Uniform Law, actions that effectively dismantled our legal careers and shut down our firm, Odtojan Bryl Lawyers.

These certificates, each carrying legal effect, were issued solely on untested allegations and subjective opinion, with no findings of misconduct and no independent Tribunal determination.

The issuance of these certificates constitutes a flagrant breach of the Uniform Law.

By bypassing Chapter 5, in particular s 300 of the Uniform Law, the statutory framework designed to ensure natural justice and procedural fairness to legal practitioners, these actions stripped away the very safeguards intended to prevent abuse.

This was not an administrative oversight, but an intentional, unlawful act and a malicious misuse of authority aimed at circumventing accountability and silencing dissent.

#### 9. Misuse of Statutory Powers, Despite Prior Notice

These actions were not administrative errors, they were deliberate, unlawful, and executed with full knowledge.

Ms Griswold and the LSNSW was put on notice, through detailed correspondence on 13 and 15 August 2024, that Ms Griswold's conduct in concert with the Law Council was unlawful, corrupt, and in breach of Section 300 of the Uniform Law, which mandates independent tribunal determination for serious allegations, including those of "prior misconduct" and alleged non-disclosures.

Rather than act lawfully, Ms Griswold and the LS Law Council intensified their actions, bypassed Tribunal oversight, and deliberately issued certificates with legal effect, thereby solidifying a fraudulent process and demonstrating clear intent to perpetuate the abuse.

By denying Ms Odtojan renewal as the sole principal, our firm was rendered inoperable, forcibly shut down, and we were cut off from clients, stripped of professional standing and livelihood, and

eliminated from the profession through weaponised legal instruments (under the false appearance of lawfulness) to eliminate us from the legal profession.

#### 10. Concealing Judicial Misconduct Despite Detailed Notice

Ms Griswold wilfully ignored our letters dated 13 and 15 August 2024, which contained detailed particulars and supporting documents evidencing false records and misrepresentations made by Justices Leeming, Kirk, Basten, and White in the NSW Court of Appeal in their judgments in the Tort Damages cases against Mr Miles Condon SC, Mr Nicolas Ford, and Mr Thomas Glynn.

Rather than refer the matter for investigation under Section 465 of the Uniform Law, Ms Griswold with Ms Haddad and the Law Council, actively suppressed the allegations.

In the Law Council's 30 May 2025 Section 45 Decision, signed by Ms Griswold, she omitted all references to the documented judicial misconduct we referred in our 13 and 15 August 2024 letters, and, instead, relied almost exclusively on adverse judicial commentary, treating it as if it was proven misconduct.

The decision, spanning 25 pages, cast aspersions on Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl based solely on remarks from the same judgment under question, without referring to any other evidence or documents, thereby shielding judicial misconduct from both investigation and public accountability.

#### 11. Application to Ms Griswold's Conduct

- 1. Knowledge of Alleged Judicial Fraud
  - a. On 13 August 2024, Ms Griswold Director of PSD was given documented notice alleging that Justices Leeming, Kirk, Basten, and White made false records and misrepresented facts in court, amounting to potential judicial fraud, offences under the Crimes Act 1900 pertaining to administration of justice offences.
- The notice included particulars and supporting evidence, meaning she was fully informed of the allegations.
  - a. Duty to Act Under Section 465 LPUL
  - As a statutory officer, with delegated powers, Ms Griswold had a positive legal duty to refer suspected offences to the appropriate authorities (e.g. police, ICAC etc).
  - Her failure to do so constitutes a breach of that statutory duty, and, if deliberate, may amount to a misconduct in public office and/or criminal concealment.
- 3. Perpetuating the Fraud Through Official Action

Despite acknowledging in paragraph 76 of her Section 45 Decision that there were "no disciplinary findings of professional misconduct", Ms Griswold with the Law Council:

- a. Relied on untested judicial commentary from the same tainted judgment,
- b. Used that commentary to form negative character assessments, and
- Issued career-ending certificates under s 45 and s 334, fully aware they bypassed the lawful Chapter 5 process, specifically the required Tribunal process under s 300 of the Uniform Law
- 4. These actions demonstrate intent to legitimise and act upon falsehoods, not just ignore them.

#### 12. Systemic Suppression of Lawyers Practising Rights

In or around May 2024, the Law Society of NSW and OLSC took coordinated actions to obstruct the legitimate renewal of our practising certificates for FY 2024/2025.

We were unlawfully placed on outdated FY 2023/2024 certificates, marked as "in force," without explanation or statutory basis.

- a. We received no prior notification;
- Our access to renewal applications was removed in our respective solicitor's portals without warning;
- c. Our paid LS memberships were silently revoked or not renewed, without due process and/or explanation;
- d. We discovered that all our notifications from the LSNSW ceased as far back as in 2023.

These actions were not administrative oversights, they were part of a systematic effort to deny us access to professional tools, professional support, legal authority, legal community, and our ability to comply with statutory obligations.

These acts deliberately disabled our ability to meet professional obligations as solicitors and for the legal practice and such acts were carried out covertly, and without legal justification.

In effect, we were covertly deregistered and functionally erased from the legal profession by ambush, in violation of procedural fairness and natural justice.

#### 13. Collusion and Endorsement of Unlawful Conduct

On 25 October 2024, the Attorney General's office and MP Hugh McDermott issued correspondence that reaffirmed the statements of facts of misconduct by Ms Griswold/Law Society and further explained and justified that such statements are to be taken as "alleged prior misconduct" representing that such allegations has foundation and existed against us, despite being notified in our correspondence to his office on 30 August 2024 that no findings of misconduct had ever been made against either of us.

Their letter not only disregarded the factual record, but also explicitly stated they had liaised with the Law Society of NSW, revealing a clear channel of collusion and a deliberate endorsement of unlawful regulatory actions taken against us.

By validating false allegations and aligning with the Law Society after being put on notice, both offices became active participants in a retaliatory campaign that stripped us of our practising rights and reputational standing without lawful basis.

#### 14. Wilful Inaction and Complicity in Retaliation

Ms Samantha Gulliver, as Legal Services Commissioner, was included in all relevant correspondences and placed on clear notice of the unlawful actions being taken against us.

Despite her statutory role and regulatory responsibilities, she took no steps to intervene. Instead, she allowed our practising certificates and membership records to be tampered with or suppressed, permitted our complaints to be concealed, and stood by as regulatory processes were weaponised to destroy our careers.

Her inaction in the face of clear and repeated warnings constitutes a serious dereliction of duty and enabled the continuation of unlawful and retaliatory conduct by the Law Society of NSW.

### 15. Systemic Circumvention of Commonwealth Credit Laws and Judicial Misuse

In our letters dated 13 and 15 August 2025, we notified the LSNSW/Ms Griswold and the OLSC of serious systemic misconduct involving Credit Corp Services Pty Ltd / Credit Corp Group. We raised urgent concerns that the *National Consumer Credit Protection Act 2009* (NCCPA) was being systematically circumvented by Credit Corp, in collusion with its incorporated legal practices and external legal providers, particularly Certus Partners (Mr Carlos Toda) and Piper Alderman.

These letters referenced multiple reports previously submitted by Ms Odtojan to LSNSW PSD and OLSC from 2016. In particular, her matter, *Odtojan ats Credit Corp Services Pty Ltd*, contains documented evidence of fraudulent conduct, where Credit Corp and its lawyers:

- a. Pleaded contracts that do not exist and/or they did not possess,
- b. Misled the courts, and
- Obtained judgements/default judgments under false pretences, perpetuating what appears to be a national scheme of unlawful enforcement.

We are not only victims and witnesses, we are assisting numerous other Australians facing the same fraudulent tactics that Ms Odtojan reported from 2016.

These individuals are being funneled through a nationwide litigation scheme, where judgments are obtained relying on false pleadings of non-existent credit contracts, solely for the purpose of securing financial gain.

### 16. Deliberate Avoidance of Commonwealth Penalties and Fraud Against the Public

By strategically avoiding adjudication under the ASIC Act and NCCPA Act; Credit Corp, Piper Alderman, and their associates have effectively evaded multi-million-dollar penalties that would otherwise be payable to the Commonwealth.

This is not legal oversight, it is a systematic circumvention of federal laws, circumventing judicial determination and concealing credit breaches from federal enforcement mechanisms.

In Ms Odtojan's case, key evidence was provided in the sworn affidavit of Mr Florian Ammer (Partner, Piper Alderman), dated 15 August 2016. At paragraph 45.2, Mr Ammer explicitly states:

"Allegations of contraventions of provisions of the ASIC Act (such as sections 12DL and 12DM) which, if made out, could potentially expose [Credit Corp] and/or St George to regulatory action by ASIC, and a maximum penalties of \$3.6 million."

This sworn admission confirms that serious regulatory breaches were at issue, offences carrying multimillion-dollar penalties, yet no referral was ever made to ASIC or law enforcement, despite the statutory obligation to do so under Section 465 of the Uniform Law.

The alleged breaches of sections 12DL and 12DM of the ASIC Act were never ventilated or tested in court. The \$3.6 million penalty in Mr Ammer's sworn affidavit, referenced in Ms Odtojan's case against Credit Corp represents just one of several potential contraventions that were entirely omitted from judicial consideration.

This raises grave concerns of systemic fraud against the Commonwealth and warrants urgent investigation by the Australian Federal Police. The broader implication is deeply troubling: Australia's credit laws are being deliberately circumvented in court proceedings, resulting in ongoing harm to consumers and a serious erosion of the integrity of the judicial and regulatory systems.

#### 17. Urgent Federal Investigation Required into Regulatory Cover-Up and Retaliatory Abuse

The AFP is called to investigate the Law Society of NSW and OLSC and their involvement of concealing serious offences against the Commonwealth which they had a statutory duty to report to authorities. In not doing so, they allowed the perpetuation of such possible offences against the Commonwealth and deprived them in the ability to investigate and apprehend the offenders Ms Odtojan had reported to them.

These regulatory bodies were under a statutory duty under Section 465 of the Uniform Law to report suspected offences, such as fraud, impersonation of legal practitioners, and evasion of the ASIC Act and NCCP Act penalties, to law enforcement authorities.

#### Instead, they:

- a. Failed to make any referrals;
- b. Concealed and closed reports submitted by Ms Odtojan from 2016 onwards;
- c. Suppressed complaints involving systemic fraud against the Commonwealth; and
- d. Those reported were allowed to remain protected, unexamined, and unaccountable, placing the public at risk. By failing to investigate serious allegations, regulators enabled these individuals to continue practising law without scrutiny, compromising public safety and trust in the legal system.

Critically, the regulators engaged in a coordinated campaign of intimidation and retaliation against the solicitor who reported these matters, who is both a victim and a witness:

- a. Ms Odtojan was threatened, defamed, and labelled "unfit" to practise, despite no findings of misconduct by any Tribunal;
- Mr Bryl was subjected to the same outcome by association, without independent assessment;
- Their legal practice was unlawfully dismantled, rendering them unable to serve their clients:

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- Their practising certificates were refused without legal basis, stripping them of their lawful right to work and earn a livelihood;
- a public disciplinary record was published under false pretences, inflicting severe and lasting reputational damage.

These actions go beyond a mere failure to report federal offences, hey constitute active suppression of a whistleblower, intimidation and discrediting of key witnesses, and a calculated effort to silence future accountability.

The AFP is called to investigate whether the Law Society of NSW, OLSC, and connected individuals engaged in conduct amounting to:

- a. Misconduct in public office;
- b. Obstruction of justice;
- c. Retaliation against a witness or victim;
- d. And accessorial liability in fraud against the Commonwealth.

A call for immediate federal intervention is essential to uphold the integrity of Australia's credit laws, whistleblower protections, and prosecutorial transparency.

These actions represent only a fraction of what has occurred, just the surface of a deeply rooted pattern of misconduct.

Collectively, they reveal a coordinated, unlawful, and malicious abuse of public office, executed with intent to destroy the careers of two innocent solicitors, dismantle their legal practice, and silence legitimate reports of corruption and criminality, including the impersonation of lawyers and fraud against the Commonwealth.

This has escalated into a system-wide retaliation, demanding immediate investigation and public accountability.

#### 18. CALL TO ACTION - IMMEDIATE ACTION

- 1. An investigation by the NSW Police and the Australian Federal Police into the conduct of:
  - a. The Law Society of NSW (LSNSW)
  - b. The Office of the Legal Services Commissioner (OLSC)
  - c. Their role in concealing serious offences against the Commonwealth
  - d. Their acts of retaliation against protected whistleblowers
- 2. Resignation and removal of individuals responsible for enabling and executing this abuse of power, including:
  - a. Ms Valerie Griswold, Director of Legal Regulation (PSD), LSNSW
  - b. Ms Nadya Haddad, Deputy Director of PSD and Director of Licensing in the LSNSW Registry;
  - c. Mr Michael Daley, Attorney General of NSW;
  - d. Dr Hugh McDermott MP;
  - e. Ms Samantha Gulliver, Legal Services Commissioner (OLSC);
  - f. And all officers and decision-makers involved.
- 3. A Royal Commission into the systemic corruption within NSW's regulatory and judicial institutions, including how legal instruments were weaponised against two solicitors and the

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5. Immediate correction of the public record including the removal of our names from the OLSC Solicitors Disciplinary Register, where they were unlawfully and falsely recorded under untested and unfounded allegations made by PSD/Council of the Law Society, and the full reinstatement of our practising certificates, restoring our right to practise law without stigma or political interference.

This is not just about us. It is about ensuring no whistleblower, no solicitor, and no citizen is ever punished for telling the truth.

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Notice to produce OLSC John Mckenzie

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19. Support Us

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==> Petitions: Call for Attorney General and MP Hugh McDermott to Resign from office



Lawyers, Ms Marie Odtojan and Mr Artem Bryl.

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Tampering with solicitors practising certificates, memberships and the deletion of solicitor records

You are witnessing an alleged targeted discriminatory hate crime in progress by the Law Society of NSW Professional Standards Department (PSD), the Law Council (15 members and President), Head of Registry Office, and the Legal Services Commissioner (OLSC), collectively referred to as LSNSW Council Members ("LCM")

The LCM is alleged to have engaged in an unlawful act of tampering with and preventing the legitimate renewals of the practising certificates of Ms Marie Odtojan ("Ms Odtojan") and Mr Artem Bryl ("Mr Bryl") for the FY 2024/25. In doing so, they have ensured that Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl are unlawfully locked out and prevented from renewing their practising certificates for FY 2025/26 putting their livelihood, their careers, their business and all the law firm's client matters at risk.

The above-mentioned Law Society officers and Legal Services Commissioner (who are all legal practitioners themselves and have a positive duty to self-report) have demonstrated clear intent to do blatant unlawful acts against Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl.

The LCM have shown contempt for the law and the lawful process, and are determined to do all acts and things, using their office in the Law Society of NSW and the OLSC to unlawfully prevent the said solicitors from continuing to practice law and to terminate their law firm.

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The Law Society of NSW PSD / Director Ms Valerie Griswold, Law Council, the Head of Registry Office, Ms Nadya Haddad, and the Legal Services Commissioner, Ms Samantha Gulliver, had unlawfully tampered with the legitimate renewal of the said solicitors practising certificates without lawful process. There were no proceedings, nor orders nor determinations to support the actions done by the LCM

The LCM did such actions without notice to the solicitors, depriving them from being heard on the matter and from objecting to such conduct, which is unlawful and contrary to the laws and established process.

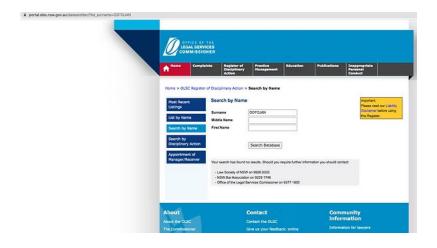
The LCM had banked the renewal fees for both the said solicitors FY 2024/25 practising certificates and memberships. Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl received nothing in return. The FY 2024/25 is effectively over.

Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl was not notified by the LCM regarding the non-renewal of their memberships, and that the memberships rights and benefits which they had since their respective admissions were silently stripped from them. Such acts were done by ambush and was only discovered by the solcitors by chance. Having no membership prevented the said solicitors from meeting their obligations & making required applications for themselves and the law firm.

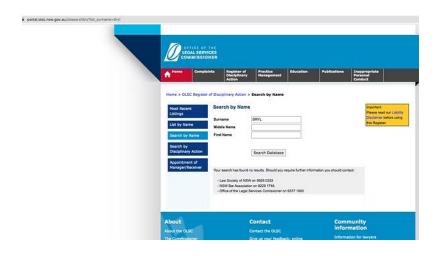
The LCM had unlawfully tampered with & deleted the said solicitors' data from the Law Society public Registry of Solicitors. Again, such action were done without notice, without lawful process, and contrary to the law.

The LCM had made unsubstantiated statement of fact/allegation of 'misconduct' /'findings of misconduct' against Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl. <u>Ms</u> Odtojan and Mr Bryl were never before any court/tribunal for matters of misconduct against them.

Under section 152 of the LPUL Application Act requires the NSW Legal Services Commissioner to keep a Register of Disciplinary Action (the Register) taken against lawyers in New South Wales. Search via: <a href="https://portal.olsc.nsw.gov.au/dasearchbn/">https://portal.olsc.nsw.gov.au/dasearchbn/</a> As of May 2025, there are no records under the name of Ms Odtojan or Mr Bryl. The following screenshots were accessed on 11 Feb 2025.



NSW Register of Disciplinary Action - No results under Ms Marie Odtojan



NSW Register of Disciplinary Action - No results under Mr Artem Bryl

#### Notices of corrupt and unlawful conduct

On 13 and 15 August 2024, the LCM received notices from Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl of the corrupt and unlawful conduct done against them.

To date Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl's notice have been ignored and not responded to by the LCM. During that time, Ms Griswold had checkin on Mr Bryl's Linkedin, Mr McGrath sent a Linkedin connection to Mr Bryl and the emails of the law council members which has always been shown on the Law Society website for many years were deleted ad no longer available. But, no response to the serious issues raised and the evidence/documents received which included the alleged fraudulent conduct /recordings in judgments by the NSW Supreme Court justices Leeming and Kirk (leave to appeal Ms Condon case 2023) and Justices Basten and White (leave to appeal Mr Ford and Mr Condon case 2023)

To date, despite request for LCM to substantiate their statement of fact/allegation of misconduct and repeated notice to them of their unlawful corrupt conduct which they a positive duty to self-report for the improprieties they done in office, (also raising questions for their fitness to practice as legal practitioners), the said LCM parties continue to rely on their fabricated misconduct. They have all ignored and do not respond to the notices given to them by Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl.

#### Victims and Witnesses of multiple fraud and improprieties

Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl are victims & witnesses who have documented evidence of the corruption & systemic *modus operandi* of Credit Corp and its lawyers using the courts for unlawful purposes, obtaining judgments based on false facts that a contract exist when they do not have such contract in their possession.

This was discovered in Ms Odtojan's private civil case in 2014-2016, *Odtojan ats Credit Corp* where she was a party to proceedings, a natural person, who was not in capacity of a legal practitioner. She was a St George Bank Consumer from year 2 at the age of 8 years old.

Credit Corp made a claim pursuant to a credit contract which they state was legally assigned from St George Bank. Ms Odtojan had simply done what any reasonable person would do when a claim is made pursuant to a contract - she sought for Credit Corp and its lawyers (Certus Partners / Piper Alderman) to produce the contract they recorded and relied upon in their statement of claim. When they could not produce their alleged contract, Ms Odtojan had alleged Credit Corp and its lawyers of misleading the court of a material fact that a contract exist as recorded in Credit Corp's claim when they had no such contract in their possession.

Instead of doing what is a standard practice by all lawyers and provide the alleged contract to Ms Odtojan, Mr Florian Ammer Partner of Piper Alderman instead made a report against Ms Odtojan using her legal profession (which she is not in such capacity in these proceedings) to the Office of the Legal Services Commissioner (OLSC) who, despite their guidelines not to interfere with court proceedings on foot, and where Ms Odtojan is not in capacity of a lawyer, pursued Mr Ammer's complaint and forwarded it to LSNSW PSD, who then hovered the complaint over Ms Odtojan throughout the Local Court proceedings in 2016.

Ms Odtojan's profession was constantly under threat throughout the local court proceedings by the report made by Mr Ammer. The LSNSW PSD never sought for Mr Ammer /Piper Alderman to respond to Ms Odtojan's allegation that they had misled the court on a material fact that a contract exist, neither did the PSD sought any document/evidence of such contract materially relied upon by Piper Alderman.

To date, there has been no evidence of a contract which Credit Corp/Certus Partners/Piper Alderman had pleaded as a material fact to prove their claim. No contract was produced nor any terms of any contract were referred to in the two day final local court hearing presided by Magistrate Sharon Freund on 18 and 19 July 2016.

Magistrate Freund had recorded in her judgement that a contract exists as a mere statement without any evidence of such contract. She had solely relied on the mere statements made by Mr Nicolas Ford that a contract was provided to his client (Ms Odtojan) where no such evidence exist to support Mr Ford's statement.

Mr Ford had ran a different case to his client's case. This was acknowledged in the interim hearing before District court judge Sharon Norton on 16 February 2023, however, Judge Norton recorded a different narrative in her District Court judgment in 2023 concealing such fact and falsely recording that Ms Odtojan wanted to re-litigate a signature issue on a document. Such evidence/submission of re-litigation of a signature issue was never made before Judge Norton.

Sometime in early 2017, the PSD had closed Ms Ammer/Piper Alderman's complaint against Ms Odtojan once the Local Court proceedings were closed, the report was closed on the basis that Ms Odtojan was not in capacity of a legal practitioner and the solicitors rules relied upon by Mr Ammer/Piper Alderman did not apply. This fact was already known to the OLSC/PSD from the outset, upon receiving the complaint.

Multiple reports have been made to the LSNSW PSD /OLSC since 2016, where OLSC/PSD had systemically closed all reports made by Ms Odtojan (pertaining to allegations of improprieties, fraud, perversion of the course of justice, fabricating account statements, missing trust funds incl, impersonation of legal practitioners by unqualified persons) without investigation nor question put to those reported.

Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl are also helping victims & representing them in their cases against #CreditCorp #creditcorpgroup

This is not only a NSW issue, but a national emergency where our courts, law society of NSW and NSW OLSC, and the rule of law are compromised.

The Credit Laws are not being applied and therefore its development is stunted. Credit Corp has systemically circumvented the credit laws and possible penalties for contravention of the said law.

Ms Odtojan and Mr Bryl have witnessed that titles/ positions of power/office are placed above the law. There are those operating above the law who are are protected by the NSW legal regulators, who will prosecute innocent persons who make reports and speak up. They will target witnesses/victims, their profession, especially if they are legal practitioners.

They have demonstrated in how they have dealt with Ms Odtojan's multiple reports to them that OLSC/PSD will eliminated/conceal evidence, and have covered-up improprieties and criminal acts of those reported to LS PSD /OLSC.

The cover-ups and fraudulent acts in Ms Odtojan's cases are insurmountable. We, as a society, as taxpayers, pay for these unlawful acts done in office / in court. Such injustices affect us all.

You can look up what happens to a society when laws are systemically disregarded by those entrusted to uphold & protect it. This leads to tyranny and a <u>lawless society</u>. The consequences are #generational

We need your help to bring those who have abused their positions to engage in corrupt conduct and do unlawful acts in office to justice. Help us to protect and preserve the integrity of our legal system and legal profession which PSD/OLSC have failed to do and placed the public and all at risk of corrupt and unlawful act done in courts/in office.

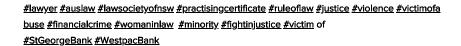
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