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Some consultants engaged by LumioLex Ltd may be legally qualified and may have been called to the Bar of England and Wales but may not hold a current practising certificate.

Where services are provided by such an individual, the following applies:

1. Although the consultant is qualified as a barrister, they are not entitled to practise as a barrister. They do not hold a practising certificate and are not on the register of practising barristers.
2. In providing legal services to you, they are not acting as a barrister and are not subject to many of the rules which regulate practising barristers.
3. This limits the services they can provide. They may provide legal advice, legal assistance, legal research, drafting and case preparation services, but they cannot exercise rights of audience before courts unless separately authorised to do so and cannot undertake reserved legal activities unless permitted by law.
4. If you have any concerns about the services provided, you should raise them with LumioLex Ltd in the first instance. We will seek to resolve any concerns promptly and professionally.
5. You should be aware that your rights to complain to external bodies may be limited.
6. The Legal Ombudsman, which can adjudicate on complaints about poor service by practising barristers, cannot generally consider complaints against a person acting in a non-practising capacity.
7. If your concerns cannot be resolved, you may complain to the Bar Standards Board. The Bar Standards Board may investigate whether a non-practising barrister has failed to comply with any rules applicable to them, but it cannot investigate possible breaches of rules which apply only to practising barristers.
8. LumioLex Ltd maintains professional indemnity insurance in respect of the consultancy services it provides.
9. In respect of any legal advice provided by a consultant acting in a non-practising capacity, there is a substantial risk that you will not be able to rely upon legal advice privilege.
10. LumioLex Ltd is a legal consultancy and is not authorised or regulated by the Solicitors Regulation Authority or the Bar Standards Board. Where reserved legal activities, litigation services or advocacy are required, these will be undertaken by appropriately authorised and regulated professionals under separate arrangements where necessary.

Client Acknowledgement

I confirm that I have received, read and understood this notice.

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