

RE: WOOD GREEN CROWN COURT — FOLLOW-UP FOLLOWING FURTHER DIRECTION FROM THE JUDGE — LEGAL REPRESENTATION — SAFEGUARDS AGAINST ANTI-BLACK RACISM AND INSTITUTIONAL RACISM — RETURN TO COURT ON 15 OCTOBER 2026

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24 September 2026 at 22:56

Dear Sir or Madam,

RE: WOOD GREEN CROWN COURT — FOLLOW-UP FOLLOWING FURTHER DIRECTION FROM THE JUDGE — LEGAL REPRESENTATION — SAFEGUARDS AGAINST ANTI-BLACK RACISM AND INSTITUTIONAL RACISM — RETURN TO COURT ON 15 OCTOBER 2026

I write further to my previous correspondence following the recommendation made by the Judge at Wood Green Crown Court that I seek legal representation from firms identified on the Court's list of local solicitors.

I attended Wood Green Crown Court again today, **24 September 2026**.

During today's hearing, I informed the Judge of the position concerning my attempts to obtain responses from the recommended solicitors.

The Judge told me that I should **chase the solicitors** and suggested that I should **telephone them**.

I am therefore contacting you again immediately following today's hearing.

TELEPHONE CONTACT

Although I have previously sought to maintain communications in writing for clarity and record-keeping purposes, I am prepared to telephone your firm because the Judge specifically suggested today that I should do so.

Please therefore answer the following:

1. Should I telephone your firm concerning possible representation?

Please answer:

YES / NO

2. If YES, what is the best telephone number for me to call?

Telephone number: _____

3. What is the best date and time for me to telephone?

Date: _____

Time: _____

4. Whom should I ask to speak to?

Name: _____

Position: _____

5. Is that person authorised to discuss whether your firm can consider representing me?

Please answer:

YES / NO

WHETHER YOUR FIRM CAN CONSIDER REPRESENTATION

Please answer the following separately and directly.

6. Is your firm presently willing to consider whether it can represent me in the criminal proceedings at Wood Green Crown Court?

YES / NO

If NO, please state the reason.

7. Does your firm presently have capacity to consider taking my case?

YES / NO

If NO, please state whether this is:

(a) a temporary capacity issue;

(b) a permanent decision in relation to my case;

(c) a decision that the firm does not undertake the relevant type of work; or

(d) another reason, which should be identified.

8. Has your firm made any decision to decline to represent me?

YES / NO

If YES:

(a) on what date was that decision made?

(b) who made it?

(c) what was the reason?

SAFEGUARDS AGAINST ANTI-BLACK RACISM AND INSTITUTIONAL RACISM

My previous correspondence asked specifically about safeguards against **anti-Black racism and Institutional Racism in your decision-making processes**.

Those questions were not rhetorical.

I take those questions seriously because they concern my ability to make an informed decision about whether I can safely and confidently seek or accept professional representation.

Accordingly:

9. Does your firm have specific safeguards against anti-Black racism operating within its professional and organisational decision-making processes?

YES / NO

If YES, please identify those safeguards and provide the relevant documents, policies, procedures or direct references.

10. Does your firm have specific safeguards against Institutional Racism operating within its professional and organisational decision-making processes?

YES / NO

If YES, please identify those safeguards and provide the relevant documents, policies, procedures or direct references.

11. Do those safeguards specifically apply to decisions concerning whether to accept or decline a Black client?

YES / NO

12. Do those safeguards specifically apply to the allocation of solicitors and advocates?

YES / NO

13. Do those safeguards specifically apply to legal advice, case strategy, treatment of evidence and representation?

YES / NO

14. Is there a named person or identifiable professional office within your firm responsible for ensuring that those safeguards operate effectively?

YES / NO

If YES, please identify that person or office.

15. Is your firm willing and professionally equipped to represent a Black defendant whose concerns include questions of anti-Black racism, Institutional Racism, racial bias and safeguards within criminal-justice decision-making?

YES / NO

If the answer requires qualification, please give the qualification **after providing the YES or NO answer**.

GENERAL EQUALITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION RESPONSES WILL NOT ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS

For absolute clarity, I am **not** asking merely whether your firm:

- supports equality;
- supports diversity;
- has an Equality, Diversity and Inclusion policy;
- complies with the Equality Act 2010;
- opposes discrimination; or
- provides generic unconscious-bias or equality training.

Those matters may be relevant supplementary information, but they do **not**, by themselves, answer my specific questions concerning safeguards against **anti-Black racism and Institutional Racism in decision-making processes**.

Please therefore do not substitute a general equality or diversity statement for answers to the numbered questions.

If your firm has **no specific safeguard** of the kind I am asking about, please simply state:

NO — THE FIRM HAS NO SPECIFIC SAFEGUARD OF THAT DESCRIPTION.

That answer is preferable to ambiguity.

IF A QUESTION CANNOT OR WILL NOT BE ANSWERED

Every numbered question above requires an answer.

If your firm considers that it cannot provide an answer, please state:

CANNOT ANSWER, followed by the reason.

If your firm has decided that it will not provide an answer, please state:

WILL NOT ANSWER, followed by the reason.

If your firm considers that it should not answer a particular question, please state:

SHOULD NOT ANSWER, followed by the reason.

If there is some other reason why a question will not receive a substantive answer, please identify that reason expressly.

Please do not leave questions unanswered in circumstances where I may otherwise be unable to determine whether the omission was deliberate or accidental.

REPORT TO THE JUDGE — 15 OCTOBER 2026

I am required to return to **Wood Green Crown Court on 15 October 2026** for a further hearing.

I informed the Judge today about my attempts to contact the recommended solicitors. The Judge told me to chase the solicitors and suggested that I telephone them.

I will therefore prepare a factual report for the Court concerning what happened after I followed that direction.

For each recommended firm, I intend to record, as applicable:

1. when I originally contacted the firm;
2. whether the firm responded;

3. whether I chased the firm following today's hearing;
4. whether the firm provided a telephone number and suitable time for me to call;
5. whether I telephoned;
6. whether the firm was willing to consider representation;
7. whether the firm had capacity;
8. whether the firm answered my safeguarding questions;
9. what safeguards were identified;
10. what supporting documents were provided;
11. which questions remained unanswered; and
12. any reason given for declining or being unable to assist.

I am **not asking your firm to provide any particular answer**.

I am asking only that your firm's position be made completely clear so that I can report it accurately to the Judge on **15 October 2026**.

For the avoidance of doubt, I make **no allegation, accusation, assertion, assumption or conclusion** that your firm, or any person employed by or associated with it, is racist or institutionally racist.

I am establishing the facts and maintaining an accurate documentary record.

Please acknowledge receipt of this email and provide the requested answers as soon as reasonably practicable, bearing in mind that I must report the position to the Court on **15 October 2026**.

Yours faithfully,

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Black authority mandate (ic3csi):

IC3CSI (IC3 Crime Scene Investigators) is a Black-led investigatory and documentation body focused on the safety, dignity and reparatory justice of IC3 Black and IC6 Mixed-Black people. We assert a Black authority mandate to scrutinise, question and challenge any past, present or planned activities and decisions that affect IC3 Black and IC6 Mixed-Black people, and to raise concerns and proposals through lawful written channels.

Communication policy (ic3csi):

ic3csi representatives will not voluntarily meet police officers, or any other entities suspected of anti-Black racism, face-to-face. All communications must be in writing (email or post) for transparency and evidential record-keeping. This policy reflects our role representing IC3 Black and IC6 Mixed-Black people and ongoing concerns about anti-Black racism and institutional racism. If officers or other parties approach us in person unprompted, that is a different matter.



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9th November (9/11)



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