

**SUPERVISING SOLICITOR SERVICE**

Supervising Solicitors are appointed by the court independently to oversee and supervise the execution by the applicant's solicitors of a search order made by the court. The Supervising Solicitor is the first person to known on the door of the respondent to the order and is tasked with serving the order on them, explaining its effect and the respondent's right to seek legal advice during a limited time window before the search team enters the premises and commences the search. The Supervising Solicitor makes the final decision on the day in respect of any dispute about the search team's entitlement to seize any disputed items of evidence.

Appointment as Supervising Solicitor is an onerous task requiring patience and the exercise of good judgment during what is often a stressful and intense process.

**Longmores'** commercial litigation team have significant experience of obtaining and executing search orders. We have 3 solicitors who are qualified to act as independent Supervising Solicitors in the execution of any search order conducted by another law firm anywhere in England and Wales.

**Richard Gvero**, Partner and Head of the Commercial Litigation and Employment teams at Longmores, has previously been appointed Supervising Solicitor and has executed several search orders.

**John Wiblin**, Partner in the Commercial Litigation team has led the execution of 3 search orders.

**Richard Hull**, Senior Solicitor in the Commercial Litigation team has been an integral part of teams executing search orders on 2 occasions.

Please call **John Wiblin** at 01992 300333 for further information.