

Supervising Solicitor Services

Executing a search order can be challenging and unpredictable. Our experience as supervising solicitors is second to none.

Serving and executing a search order requires a supervising solicitor with the firmness, flexibility and tact to handle the varied and complex legal and practical issues that may arise – both on the day of the search and in the days and weeks that follow.

You can rely on us to make sure your search will run smoothly.

Our experience

We have supervised the execution of well over 100 search orders, doorstep delivery up orders and similar injunctions – including during the coronavirus pandemic. We have been involved in search orders in some of the most high profile and high value litigation before the English courts in recent years, including:

- JSC BTA Bank v Mukhtar Ablyazov & others
- Gordon Ramsay Holdings v Chris Hutcheson & others
- Mezhprombank & Deposit Insurance Agency v Sergei Pugachev

We have been engaged by the **National Crime Agency** as well as many of the leading City and national law firms, including **Mishcon de Reya**, **DLA Piper** and **Hogan Lovells**.

We believe few, if any, firms can match our experience in acting as supervising solicitors.

How we can help

We are able to provide a team of up to 8 experienced supervising solicitors, both male and female, often at very short notice. We supervise single and multi-site searches throughout England and Wales.

We offer secure storage facilities for documents and electronic images obtained during a search.

We can provide IT and other facilities for the inspection of electronic images following the search. In several cases we have been appointed by the court to co-ordinate very large review exercises (involving millions of documents in many languages) to make a neutral assessment of those documents for relevance and privilege.

Without compromising our obligations to act impartially, we can provide guidance on technical, practical and logistical matters to help ensure that any search order is executed as smoothly and effectively as possible.

We do all of this at extremely competitive rates – especially for a City firm.

How to get in touch

We are always happy to discuss matters on a confidential, no obligation basis, by telephone (on Rob's or Alex's contact number below) or by emailing ss@bateswells.co.uk



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