John Scott QC's replies to the complaint via email.

Mr Muirhead,

Having given you fair notice and observed that you have now tweeted about this in misleading terms. In the circumstances, I have raised the matter as a concern with OSCR. You will no doubt hear from them in due course. I will, of course, consider my other options meantime. These will include the possibility of court proceedings for defamation. I will continue to monitor your response, in particular whether the offending material remains on your website.

Yours sincerely John Scott

Good afternoon Mr Muirhead.

It has been brought to my attention that you have published your email to me alleging criminal fraud and accusing me of failing to attend to my duties to those I represent. I consider this email to contain defamatory statements.

Please remove it at once from your website. Your response to this email will inform me in relation to further action, including possible court proceedings and a complaint to OSCR.

Yours sincerely

John Scott

On 6 May 2021, at 11:36, John Scott admin@johnscottqc.co.uk> wrote:

Good morning Mr Muirhead,

I acknowledge receipt of your email of 22 April. Please note that, initially, it was treated as spam by my email system.

I do not accept what you say about any failure of duty on my part. I adhere to all relevant Law Society rules and guidance, explaining all that I should to those I represent.

I understand the issues you raise but do not accept your characterisations of "criminal and civil fraud".

Please note that I am nt a member of the Faculty of Advocates or the judiciary.

In relation to the recent seminar, this was part of regular CPD arranged by the Society of Solicitor Advocates. It was not "tuition".

Yours sincerely

John Scott

On 22 Apr 2021, at 14:32, tomm@fairtrialproject.org wrote:

<Complaint - John Scott QC.docx>