

## ROLE PROFILE - Senior Legal Adviser

### Legal - General Counsel

#### Role Purpose:

To provide and supervise the provision of high quality regulatory and public law advice and support on policy, compliance and governance matters to all functions across the SRA.

#### Outcomes:

- Provides high quality, effective and timely advice on the legal obligations and regulatory powers available to the organisation, including robust construction of statutes and delegated legislation and practical application to the work of the SRA
- Provides clear and precise technical legal drafting, including delegated legislation
- Assists in providing innovative solutions to complex legal problems in order to meet the SRA's objectives, escalating where appropriate.
- Maintains an overview of own and other's matters in order to ensure consistency of approach and co-ordination
- Proactively leads on sharing expertise with the team and across the SRA to promote a high performance culture
- Supports the coaching and mentoring of legal advisers in the GC team
- Acts as ambassador for the SRA to internal and external stakeholders, role modelling the SRA
- Assists in managing external lawyers and counsel to obtain high quality advice at appropriate cost
- Acts as a positive role model to others by way of full engagement in new initiatives and ways of working

#### Knowledge, Skills & Experience:

##### Essential

- Qualified Solicitor or Barrister
- Experience of providing high quality regulatory/public law advice in an equivalent regulatory and/ or public law environment
- Extensive knowledge of law, framework and rules relating to the regulation of legal services
- Practical experience of high quality analysis and legal drafting of issues in a contentious or regulatory environment
- Experience of mentoring and coaching other professionals
- Track record of leading and delivering solutions, taking accountability for the successful resolution of very complex issues
- Knowledge of SRA objectives, key result areas and how to connect this with the political landscape
- Pragmatic and able to work collaboratively with legal and non-legal colleagues, including at senior level

##### Desirable

- Legal knowledge in one or more of the following additional areas: procurement, contract, education, and/or information