

Information about Bott and Co Solicitors Ltd and insurance/medical services

1. Our Status

Bott and Co Solicitors Ltd is not authorised by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA). However we are included on the register maintained by the FCA so we can carry on insurance mediation activity, which is broadly the advising on, selling and administration of insurance contracts. This part of our business, including arrangement for complaints or redress if something goes wrong is regulated by the Solicitors Regulation Authority. The register can be accessed via the FCA website at www.fsa.gov.uk/register/home.do.

2. Insurance Products we can offer: ATE

Bott and Co Solicitors Ltd offers after the event legal expenses insurance (ATE). Bott and Co Solicitors Ltd review our ATE providers on a regular basis to make sure that they are reasonable and appropriate for our clients. We recommend ATE insurance in respect of all cases funded on a Conditional Fee Agreement (CFA). The policy that we recommend to you will be a standard policy that is used for Bott and Co Solicitors Ltd clients. The recommendation is subject to the ATE and CFA being in your best interests on an individual basis and subject to your consent. The premium on the policy is payable by you, at the conclusion of your claim, if you have won your claim. If you lose the claim the premium is waived. You are of course free to explore the availability of other ATE insurance arrangements, but you should be aware that, should you wish to do so, this may cause some delay in progressing your case, and it may not be possible for you to obtain insurance on such favourable terms as those applicable to Bott and Co Solicitors Ltd.

3. Medical Reports

Bott and Co Solicitors Ltd recommends the use of medical reports via medical agencies. Bott and Co Solicitors Ltd review our medical providers on a regular basis to make sure that they are reasonable and appropriate for our clients. We recommend medical reports in respect of all cases. The medical agency that we recommend to you is subject to that agency being in your best interests on an individual basis and subject to your consent. The medical report fee is normally payable by your opponent, at the conclusion of your claim, if you have won your claim. If you lose the claim the fee is covered by your ATE policy. You are of course free to explore the availability of other medical providers, but you should be aware that, should you wish to do so, this may cause some delay in progressing your case, and it may not be possible for you to obtain an independent medical report on such favourable terms as those applicable to Bott and Co Solicitors Ltd.

4. Our Interest

Bott and Co Solicitors Ltd is regulated by the Solicitors Regulation Authority. We provide specialist advice and representation in Personal Injury matters. In connection with our Personal Injury Services we recommend ATE policies and medical reports. In providing advice concerning funding arrangements, insurance and medical reports, we endeavour at all times to abide by the prevailing guidance issued by the Law Society and the Solicitors Regulation Authority for your protection. Bott and Co Solicitors Ltd receives no commission and has no interest in the above policy of insurance or its provider. However the shareholders of Bott and Co Solicitors Ltd have a shareholding in S & G Response Ltd (SG). The shareholders of Bott and Co Solicitors Ltd and some of the employees of Bott and Co Solicitors Ltd have a shareholding in Pinpoint (Call Solutions) Ltd (PCS). SG and PCS in turn have contracts with the ATE providers and the Medical Agencies. Under the terms of the contract, SG and PCS are entitled to receive payments from the providers. Those payments may contribute to any profit or reduce any losses made by SG and PCS, the exact profit or loss of SG and PCS is included in the accounts of SG and PCS filed annually at Companies House. The interest in SG and PCS has no influence over Bott and Co Solicitors Ltd's independence and integrity. By instructing Bott and Co Solicitors Ltd to act on your behalf you acknowledge your understanding of the above matters and agree that any payments will be retained by SG or PCS. SG are authorised by the Ministry of Justice in respect of Regulated Claims Management Activities CRM 22011. PCS are authorised by the Ministry of Justice in respect of Regulated Claims Management Activities CRM 28413.