

## Lubna Shuja

President and Council member for Sole Practitioners

Lubna Shuja is the 178th person, first Asian, first Muslim and seventh female president of the Law Society of England and Wales.

She qualified as a solicitor in 1992. She is a sole practitioner at Legal Swan Solicitors in Birmingham, a firm she set up in 2007, where she now specialises in professional discipline and regulation.

She has experience in dealing with family law, conveyancing, personal injury claims, wills and probate, and litigation.

Prior to 2007, Lubna worked in a high street firm in West Yorkshire for 14 years undertaking litigation and personal injury work.

She is also a mediator (CEDR accredited) conducting civil and family mediations.

Lubna works with a number of professional regulators. She is a chair of the Health and Care Professions Tribunal's Conduct and Competence committee, an adjudicator chair of Social Work England's Fitness to Practise committee, a legally qualified deputy chair of the General Pharmaceutical Council's Fitness to Practise committee and a chair of the General Chiropractic Council's Investigating committee.

She was a chair of the Disciplinary, Appeal and Regulatory committees of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants for 11 years and she was also a deputy clerk at the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal for over 13 years.

She is a past chair of the Solicitor Sole Practitioners Group (SPG).

Lubna has been a member of the Law Society Council since 2013 representing the interests of sole practitioners.

She is a member of the Law Society Board, the chair of the Strategic Litigation Group and a member of the Conduct committee.

Lubna was the inaugural chair of the Membership and Communications Committee (from 2018 to 2021) and was previously a member of the Membership Board and Finance and Investment committee.