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Dear Mr Mitchell

Consultation re Character and suitability test - LDP non-lawyer managers

The City of London Law Society (CLLS) represents over 13,000 City lawyers, through individual and corporate membership including some of the largest international law firms in the world. These law firms advise a variety of clients from multinational companies and financial institutions to Government departments, often in relation to complex, multi-jurisdictional legal issues.

The CLLS responds to a variety of consultations on issues of importance to its members through its 17 specialist committees. The CLLS Professional Rules and Regulation Committee has considered Allen & Overy's response to the "Consultation re Character and suitability test - LDP non-lawyer managers" (Consultation Paper 1). This committee is made up of solicitors who are, by virtue of the responsibilities they have in their respective firms, particularly focused on such issues. The committee endorses the Allen & Overy submission.

Yours sincerely

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