

RE: Our client: Alexander Walker

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From: Chiara Longo (chiaralongo@edwardsfamilylaw.co.uk)

To: property\_92@yahoo.com

Cc: kellyedwards@edwardsfamilylaw.co.uk

Date: Wednesday 28 May 2025 at 10:51 BST

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Dear Irene,

Many thanks for your email below.

You state you will file your evidence the evening before the hearing. I am afraid this is not acceptable in the circumstances. I note that you (and your solicitors, at the time) failed to serve and file the Acknowledgment of Service in time. The Acknowledgment of Service was due on 28 February 2025, and yet the same is dated 13 March 2025 and was filed on the same day. You also failed to file your evidence alongside the Acknowledgment of Service in accordance with CPR 8.5(2), which reads: “A defendant who wishes to rely on written evidence must file it when they file their acknowledgment of service”.

I must be clear that you were represented by solicitors at that time, and you continued to be until 14 April 2025, when your solicitors made an application to the Court to be removed from the record as acting for you due to a breakdown of the relationship. As of today, you still have not filed your evidence. Unfortunately, you are very clearly in breach of the CPR.

Though I am not your solicitor, I must advise you that according to CPR 8.6, “no written evidence may be relied on at the hearing of the claim unless – (a) it has been served in accordance with rule 8.5; or (b) the court gives permission”.

You are therefore out of time and may not be able to rely on your evidence at the hearing of the claim. If you wish to rely on this evidence, please ensure this is served by **4pm on Thursday, 29 April 2025** so we may consider the same.

Kind regards,

Chiara

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**From:** Irene Spalletti <property\_92@yahoo.com>

**Sent:** 23 May 2025 12:53

**To:** Chiara Longo <chiaralongo@edwardsfamilylaw.co.uk>

**Subject:** Re: Our client: Alexander Walker

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Dear Chiara,

I reiterate that this application has been filed incorrectly and appears to bypass both the MIAM requirement and alternative dispute resolution, which should have been explored prior to issuing proceedings.

Nonetheless, as your client insists on proceeding, I will do so accordingly and will be filing a counterclaim in response. Additionally, as your client has previously served their evidence the evening before both prior hearings, I will be following the same approach in this instance.

Thanks,

Irene

On Friday 23 May 2025 at 12:35:39 BST, Chiara Longo <[chiaralongo@edwardsfamilylaw.co.uk](mailto:chiaralongo@edwardsfamilylaw.co.uk)> wrote: