



**THE TWENTY-FOURTH REPORT OF THE  
COMMISSION FOR STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE  
(CSPL)**

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# SECTION ONE – INTRODUCTION

## 1. Preface

The Commission for Standards in Public Life (the “CSPL”) was established as an institution supporting democracy under the Cayman Islands Constitution Order 2009 (the “Constitution”). Its introduction reinforced the need to have regard to ethics and transparency as important elements of a democratic society and the necessary protection of the rights and freedoms of the people in the Cayman Islands.

With its mandate as set out in section 117(9) of the Constitution, the first CSPL was appointed in January 2010. The CSPL’s overarching powers are ingrained in the Standards in Public Life Act, 2021 and the Standards in Public Life Regulations, 2020.

### 1.1. Membership of the CSPL

As prescribed in the Constitution, the Governor shall, after consulting the Premier and the Leader of the Opposition, appoint, from among persons of high integrity and with experience in the public or private sector, the CSPL comprising –

1. A Chairperson;
2. A chartered or certified accountant with at least ten years’ experience;
3. A legal practitioner who has practiced in the Commonwealth for at least ten years; and
4. Not more than two other members.

**(See Appendix for Changes in Membership)**

### 1.2. Summary of CSPL Activities

In this Report, the CSPL will outline the progress made and the key issues arising from the work completed by the CSPL over the period 1 August 2022 – 31 January 2023.

### 1.3. During the current reporting period, the Members have:

- a. continued to discuss the Standards in Public Life (SPL) (Amendment) Bill and SPL (Amendment) Regulations;
- b. liaised with the Director of Central Procurement Office (CPO) regarding its procurement procedures;

- c. discussed enhancements for the Register of Interests (the “ROI”) portal for the 2022 declaration period;
- d. wrote to the Hon. Premier to follow-up on the status of the Parliamentary Code of Conduct;
- e. wrote to the Supervisor of Elections (SoE) to follow-up on the status of the Elections legislation amendments to Caucus;
- f. wrote to the Chairman of the Port Authority Board regarding the recent board appointments;
- g. considered the Education for Justice (E4J) Programme;
- h. discussed and issued correspondence; and
- i. discussed various news articles in relation to the functions of the CSPL.

## **SECTION TWO – MEETINGS AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS OF THE CSPL**

### **2.1. Meetings**

The reporting period for this Report commenced on 1 August 2022. During this period, the CSPL held general meetings on 31 August 2022, 23 September 2022, 3 October 2022 and 24 October 2022. Additionally, the CSPL held an extraordinary meeting on 30 September 2022.

The Minutes of the Meetings of the CSPL reflect the matters discussed and undertaken by the CSPL. Once approved, copies of the CSPL Meeting Minutes are available on the CSPL’s website.

### **2.2. Data Protection Training**

Data Protection training for the CSPL Members was rescheduled for Quarter 1 of 2023. The Secretariat made the appropriate arrangements to facilitate this training.

### **2.3. Membership**

Mr. Richard Addlestone resigned from the CSPL on 10 October 2022 and the Chairman and Members thanked him for his tenure and contributions to the CSPL. Ms. Isatou Smith’s term with the CSPL ended on 31 October 2022. Members thanked Ms. Smith for her invaluable role as she was the longest serving member of the CSPL and wished her well in her future endeavours. The appointment of new members is an ongoing exercise.

## **SECTION THREE – STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE (SPL) ACT**

### **3.1. Amendments to the SPL Act and Regulations**

Members continued to actively discuss and work on finalising the amendments to the SPL (Amendment) Act and SPL (Amendment) Regulations during this reporting period.

## SECTION FOUR – PROCUREMENT

### 4.1. CSPL and Procurement Procedures

As previously indicated, Members noted that a key function of the CSPL is, “*to review and establish procedures for awarding public contracts*”. Accordingly, the Secretariat was asked to issue correspondence to the Director of the Central Procurement Office (CPO) to: -

- 1) point out that the the 2020 and 2021 Annual Public Procurement Reports had not been posted on the CPO website and to seek clarity on this matter; and
- 2) enquire about various delinquencies found on their website with regards to, “*awarding public contracts*”.

On 27 September 2022, the letter was issued to the Director of CPO enquiring about various exclusions identified on the CPO website. The CPO Director responded to the points raised by the CSPL on 29 September 2022. CSPL review of the CPO Director’s response is reported in the next CSPL reporting period.

### 4.2. Lateral Flow Tests/ Procurement Procedures

Correspondence was sent to the Director of CPO on 19 October 2022, regarding the Office of the Auditor General’s (OAG) Report titled, ‘Review of Procedures of Lateral Flow Tests’ to seek any updates on the recommendations made in the OAG’s report. The CPO Director responded on 1 November 2022 and attached a copy of the CPO’s Emergency Procurement Procedure document. The CSPL considered the CPO Director’s reply and committed to a response which was issued during the next reporting period.

## SECTION FIVE – REGISTER OF INTERESTS (“ROI”)

### 5.1. Background and Developments

The functions of the CSPL include, amongst other things, *“to supervise the operation of registers of interest and to investigate breaches of established standards...”* (section 117(9)(c) of the Constitution).

In accordance with s.121(1) of the Constitution, *“There shall be for the Cayman Islands a Register of Interests, which shall be maintained by the Commission for Standards in Public Life.”* Section 121(2) elaborates that all persons in public life have a constitutional obligation to declare to the CSPL, *“for entry in the Register of Interests, such interests, assets, income and liabilities of that person, or of any other person connected with him or her, as may be prescribed by [the] Act.”* The SPL Act and Regulations were commenced in early 2020 to outline the operation of the Register and the process for submissions to it.

The ROI mandate is in accordance with s.121(1) of the Constitution, and the introduction of the SPL Act in accordance with s.117(9)(c) of the Constitution to, amongst other things, provide CSPL with the powers, *“to supervise the operation of registers of interests and to investigate breaches of established standards...”*. Furthermore, the commencement of the SPL Regulations, 2020, provided the approved form for declarations of interests, income, assets and liabilities to be completed by persons in public life and give effect to the various provisions of the SPL Act. Both legislative documents combined, provide the CSPL with the authority needed to meet its constitutional mandates, supervise the operation of registers and to investigate breaches of established standards in public life.

In 2020, the CSPL received the first filings of annual declarations for submission to the ROI in accordance with the SPL Act. Following receipt of these declarations, the CSPL embarked on the development of a system to allow for the electronic filing of annual declaration forms by Persons in Public Life. The online ROI portal was launched in 2021 to accept declarations for the period ending 30 June 2021.



## **5.2. Letter to the Hon. Attorney General Regarding Judges and Magistrates**

On 27 September 2022, the CSPL wrote to the Hon. Attorney General to request a list of jurisdictions where judges and magistrates are subject to similar legislation to section 121(1) of the Cayman Islands Constitution Order 2009 which states, *“there shall be for the Cayman Islands a Register of Interest, which shall be maintained by the Commission for Standards in Public Life.”* Over the past several months, following the commencement of the SPL Act and the Amendment Act on 1 March 2020 (“the Act”), and the Regulations (“the Regulations”) on 2 March 2020, the Commission has been executing this responsibility to the best of its ability.

The Attorney General’s Chambers (AGC) responded on 11 October 2022 with detailed advice in regards to the framework in other jurisdictions as it relates to the pecuniary interests of judges. On 28 November 2022, the CSPL confirmed, *“receipt of the efficacious and comprehensive advice”* provided and thanked the AGC for its, *“collaboration”* and welcomed, *“future opportunities to liaise with the [AGC].”* The matter is now closed.

## **5.3. Advice in relation to correspondence issued to the Attorney General Re: Concern raised regarding the Anti-Money Laundering Steering Group (AMLSG)**

Members discussed the legal advice received on 21 July 2022 and issued correspondence to the relevant party informing them that based on their role, they are exempt from filing a declaration of interest at this time. This item is now closed as no further action was required by the Commission.

## **5.4. Notice of Interest vs Register of Interest**

It was noted that a number of queries pertaining to the confusion between the Notice of Interest and the Register of Interest had been received. These are separate requirements as the Register of Interest submission is a legal requirement and the Notice of Interest is contractual in nature; specifically, in reference to the Office of the Auditor General. The Secretariat will advise declarants that the onus is on themselves to be informed as to whether they are required to file both submissions.

## **5.5. Accusations of breach of Ministerial Code of Conduct**

Members discussed a media article published on 11 July 2022 titled, ‘McTaggart accuses Bryan of breaching ministers’ code’ and agreed to close this item as the relevant public authority had already

taken disciplinary action.

#### **5.6. 2022 Register of Interests (ROI) Submissions**

Members were updated on the handling of ROI submissions for the period 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022. Members raised questions surrounding the ROI portal and noted that there was a decrease in the number of declarations filed. The Secretariat will enquire about any additional features that can enhance user experience and share the information with the CSPL.

## **SECTION SIX – CODE OF CONDUCT AND RELATED MATTERS**

### **6.1. Parliamentary Code of Conduct**

The CSPL wrote to the Honourable Premier on 29 September 2022 to enquire about the delay in the publishing of the Parliamentary Code of Conduct (CoC). The CSPL did not receive a response to its initial letter and issued follow-up correspondence on 28 November 2022. As at 31 January 2023, the CSPL is still awaiting a response. The Secretariat will continue to follow-up with the Office of the Premier for an update regarding the status of the CoC.

### **6.2. Alleged Misconduct by Member of Parliament**

Members considered a media article published on 14 September 2022 titled, ‘Speaker accused of sexual harassment at CTO bash’. Specifically, they deliberated the allegations within the context of the CSPL’s Functions and Powers. The CSPL resolved to issue a media statement on the matter. It was also resolved that the statement would be issued before the start of the Parliamentary session on 5 October 2022. The media statement was issued by the Secretariat on 4 October 2022 and is available on the CSPL website. Members agreed no further action could be taken at the CSPL at that time until ODPP and RCIPS concluded their investigations.

### **6.3. Accusations of breach of Ministerial Code of Conduct**

Members considered a media article, published on 11 July 2022, titled, ‘McTaggart accuses Bryan of breaching ministers’ code’ and agreed to close the matter as the relevant public authority had already taken disciplinary action.

### **6.4. Cabinet Manual**

#### **6.4.1. Correspondence from the Constitutional Commission regarding Cabinet Manual**

On 19 October 2022, the CSPL wrote to the Chairman of the Constitutional Commission (CC) thanking him for his letter of 10 March 2022 (as indicated in the last reporting session) and to extend an apology for the delayed response. The CSPL further noted that, *“the Cabinet Manual has now been published and is now available to the public. We wish to confirm that the CSPL did not take part in the development of the Cabinet Manual.”* This matter was closed as no further action was required by the Commission.

## **6.5. Elections Observer’s Report**

Members discussed this matter and asked the Secretariat to follow-up with the Elections Office regarding the status of the Elections legislation amendments to Caucus. Follow-up correspondence was sent to the Supervisor of Elections (SoE) on 22 August 2022. The SoE replied on the same and advised that he was, *“invited to a caucus meeting on August 29<sup>th</sup> to continue discussions on the observer reports and other amendments to the Elections legislation.”* He added, *“I am hopeful that we will secure consensus on the amendments at this upcoming meeting.”* Follow-up correspondence was issued on 7 October 2022 seeking an update regarding this matter. As at 31 January 2023, an update has not been received and the Secretariat will continue to liaise with the SoE to determine the outcome of the above-referenced Caucus meeting.

## SECTION SEVEN – CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

### 7.1. Port Authority Director Appointment

On 27 September 2022, the CSPL issued a general letter of inquiry to the Chairman of the Port Authority Board to enquire whether there are any on-going investigations regarding any recent board appointments. The Chairman responded on 28 September 2022 as follows: -

*“Your letter refers to recent appointments at the Port Authority, as you are probably aware the Public Authorities Law provides that the Director of the Port Authority is appointed by the Board and all other appointments are made by the Director. The Board recently appointed a Director after following the prescribed recruitment and appointment process and we are not aware of any investigations regarding that appointment, this process was led by Chief Officer in the Ministry of Tourism Mr. Stran Bodden with the assistance of Baraud International as independent party to ensure compliance with the requisite law and also due to the fact that the Port Authority did not have an adequately staffed HR Department. There were some temporary appointments of temporary staff made by the previous Acting Port Director earlier this year and the Governor commissioned an audit of those appointments in his capacity as Governor with overall responsibility for security at the Port Authority Cayman Islands. This investigation was conducted by the internal Audit Department and I have attached the report for your review.*

*As you will see from the report on the investigation that was conducted by the Internal Audit it identified short comings in the process by which those temporary appointments were made by the former Acting Director. The Director has been briefed by the Governor's office to ensure that a robust process specifically in regards to the security requirements of the Governor's office are met in all future recruitments in addition to the standard recruitment practices in accordance with the statutory requirements.*

*The request was pretty general in regards to “Recent Appointments” so I have provided the information that I am aware of which may be relevant. If this does not cover what you were enquiring about then please let me know specifically what you need and we will do our best to provide whatever is necessary.”*

The CSPL replied on 19 October 2022 acknowledging the Chairman’s reply and requested a copy of the finalised report from the Internal Audit Unit (IAU) and to also inquire whether the IAU’s recommendations have been accepted. The Chairman responded on 20 October 2022 attaching a

copy of the IAU Report and noted, *“We also can confirm that the 2 recommendations given in the Internal Auditors Service report are in progress:-*

#### *Recommendations*

*8.1 – Our new Port Director has taken strategic steps to develop internal policies and procedures framework as its relates to hiring, firing and appointments at the Port. Procedurals steps for the hiring of staff has been developed and implemented. Steps are in process of eliminating “standard practices” within the Port by creation of policies and procedures.*

*8.2 – The recent hire of the Port Director begins the process of hiring more Senior Management to increase the signing of cheques responsibilities.”*

The CSPL sent follow-up correspondence to the Chairman on 16 November 2022 to request a status update on the progress of the two recommendations in the IAU Service Report. The Chairman responded on the same and confirmed presently, *“there has been no further progress other than what has been reported. Staff hiring is out of scope for the committee and the funeral policy remain on our list as an item to be completed.”* Members agreed to follow-up on this matter during the next reporting period.

### **7.2. National Housing Development Trust Allegations**

Members discussed a press release that was published on the Anti-Corruption Commission’s (ACC) website, on 28 October 2022, in relation to the National Housing Development Trust matter. Members noted that the ACC referred the file to the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP) for further action. On that basis, the CSPL agreed to refrain from exploring this matter further. The matter was closed.

### **7.3. Leaked report from Office of the Auditor General and MITAMA**

Members discussed a media article regarding a leaked report from the Office of the Auditor General (OAG) and Ministry of International Trade, Investment, Aviation & Maritime Affairs (MITIAMA) titled, ‘The Dubai Expo and CI Overseas Offices – Examination of Potential Breaches of Legislation’, published on 4 May 2022.

On 27 September 2022, the CSPL wrote to His Excellency the (former) Governor, Mr. Martyn Roper, and the OAG, to seek confirmation on the status of any investigations. His Excellency replied on 28 September 2022 and confirmed, *“that the Deputy Governor ordered an immediate investigation into the leak of the [OAG’s] report on Overseas Office. Unfortunately this was unable to identify the source of the leak. The matter is now closed.*

*Both the [DG] and I condemned the leak of the report and reminded public servants of their responsibilities to protect government information.”*

The OAG responded on 29 September 2022 and confirmed that the Auditor General, *“was asked to do an investigation by the Governor and agreed only to do a straight forward fact-finding piece of work answering specific questions [she] was given.”* The CSPL responded on 19 October 2022 to both His Excellency and the Auditor General thanking them for their responses and to acknowledge that there was no further action required at this time. On that basis, Members agreed to close the items as no further action was required by the Commission.

## **SECTION EIGHT – EDUCATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS**

### **8.1 United Nations Education for Justice (E4J) Programme**

Members discussed the E4J Programme and the Secretariat was asked to circulate a summary of the programme for Members' consideration. Members noted the outgoing Public Relations & Education Coordinator's, assistance with the Commission over the past two years and wished her well in her future endeavours. Members will continue to consider the E4J Programme during the next reporting period.



## **SECTION NINE – COMPLAINTS**

### **9.1 Public Enquiry**

Members discussed an enquiry received from a member of the public subsequent to the CSPL’s media statement dated 4 October 2022 titled, ‘Commission Statement on the Allegations Made Against the Honourable Speaker’. The Secretariat followed up with the enquirer to offer their assistance, however, as at 31 January 2023, there has been no response from this individual. Members resolved that the Secretariat should inform the enquirer that they can submit a formal complaint if they wish to do so. The matter was closed.

## SECTION TEN – MOVING FORWARD

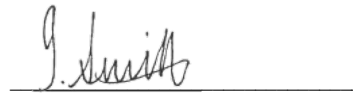
10. Over the next reporting period the CSPL will continue to:
- a. finalise the draft SPL (Amendment) Bill, and SPL (Amendment) Regulations;
  - b. continue to consider feedback on the new RoI portal;
  - c. address any complaints received;
  - d. continue to follow-up on the finalisation of a Parliamentary Code of Conduct;
  - e. issue correspondence and follow-up correspondence to the various public authorities as detailed in this Report; and
  - f. participate in any educational or public relations opportunities, as well as in local and regional cooperation efforts where possible.

For more information on the CSPL please visit [www.standardsinpubliclifecommission.ky](http://www.standardsinpubliclifecommission.ky), e-mail [info@standardsinpubliclifecommission.ky](mailto:info@standardsinpubliclifecommission.ky), or call 244-3685.

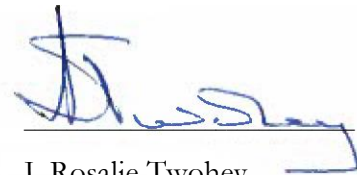
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Dr. Sonia Bush (Chairman)



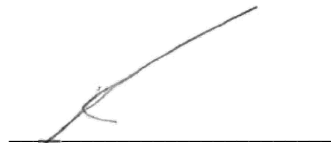
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## SECTION ELEVEN – APPENDIX

### 9.1. Changes in CSPL Membership

1. The first CSPL was very ably chaired by Mrs. Karin Thompson, MBE, whose accomplishments, among other things, included the introduction of The Standards in Public Life Act, 2014 (the “SPL Act”).
2. The first CSPL’s 4-year term ended in January 2014. The outgoing CSPL, however, kindly agreed to remain in the post until February 2014.
3. The CSPL is mandated under section 117(9)(g) of the Constitution to report to Parliament at regular intervals and at least every six months.
4. The Reports of the first CSPL, i.e. report numbers 1 through 8, detail the various tasks undertaken by the first CSPL and its accomplishments in each respect. The Reports are available on the CSPL’s website.
5. Previous Chairman Rosie Whittaker-Myles and Former Member Sheenah Hislop were appointed to the CSPL on 1 February 2015 for a period of four years. At the request of His Excellency agreed repeatedly to extend their tenures until 28 February 2021. Member Isatou Smith was appointed, following the resignation of Pastor Shian O’Connor (to pursue educational advancements) on 1 November 2018 for a period of four years.
6. On 1 May 2021, four new CSPL Members were appointed to join previously appointed Member Isatou Smith. The new appointees were Chairman Dr. Sonia Bush and Members J. Rosalie Twohey, Richard Addlestone and Keith Blake.
7. The Reports of the second CSPL headed by the previous Chairman, Rosie Whittaker-Myles, i.e. report numbers 9 through 20, detail the various tasks undertaken by this CSPL and its accomplishments in each respect. These Reports are also available on the CSPL’s website.

## 9.2. Members Biographies



**Dr. Sonia Bush** is an Attorney at Law in the Cayman Islands as the owner and sole practitioner of Sonia Bush and Associates Law. **Sonia** obtained a LLB (Hons) degree from the University of Liverpool, and she was trained by one of Cayman’s top law firms. Additionally, **Dr. Bush** obtained a Bachelor’s of Science Degree in International Finance, (BSc.), a Master of Business Administration Degree (MBA), a Master of Science Degree (MSc.), and a PhD in Management with a minor in Leadership. She also is a registered member of the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners, and a designated Trust and Estate Practitioner ("TEP") since 2001.

**Sonia** was called to the Cayman Islands Bar in July 2009, and broadened her exposure to offshore trusts, while working as an attorney at law in Jersey, Channel Islands. Her areas of practice include Trust and Estate Planning, Business Formation, Company Incorporation, Intellectual Property including registration of Trademarks, Work Permits, Family Law, Residency, Guardianship, Wills, Probate and Administration and Real Estate. **Sonia** is also a Notary Public and provides this service from the Firm's office. In addition to practicing law, **Sonia** has worked over ten years in the financial industry in the Cayman Islands, in particular at offshore trust and banks as a Trust Account Manager.

**Dr. Bush** was appointed as Chairman effective 1 May 2021 for a four-year term.



**Ms. Isatou Smith** acts as director for investment funds including several sponsored by large global asset managers. She has been active in the investment funds industry for over fifteen years and has significant regulatory and corporate governance experience with investment entities and their operations. She was previously a Director at Intertrust Fund Services (Cayman) Limited (formerly Walkers Fund Services (Cayman) Limited (“Intertrust”)) where she also provided director services to a wide range of investment fund structures with varying investment strategies across multiple jurisdictions. **Isatou** also acts as a compliance

officer for investment entities. In her role as a fiduciary she manages conflicts of interests and oversees adherence to the governing documents of the entities.

Prior to joining Intertrust, **Isatou** was employed by the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority (“CIMA”) as a Senior Analyst in the Investments and Securities Division. At CIMA she was instrumental in key regulatory developments and led a large team of Investments and Securities Analysts that were responsible for the on-going monitoring and regulation of investment funds, mutual fund administrators and securities investment business licensees. Additionally, **Isatou** has acted as a member for the Cayman Islands Hurricane Committee and the Labour Tribunal.

**Isatou** holds a Bachelor of Law equivalent and Professional Practice Certificate with distinction from the Cayman Islands Law School and a Graduate Diploma in Law from BPP University in London, England. She also has a Master of Business Administration degree with a specialization in Finance from Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts. Isatou also received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in International Business from James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Virginia. Isatou is a professionally accredited director with the Institute of Chartered Secretaries Canada (ICSA) and is also a member of the Association of Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialists (ACAMS) and of the Cayman Islands Directors Association (CIDA). **Ms. Smith** was appointed effective 1 November 2018 for a four-year term which ended on 31 October 2022.



**J. Rosalie Twohey** recently took a hiatus from her post as Deputy Managing Director of Cainvest Bank and Trust Ltd in order to pursue a LLM from the University of Liverpool. **Rosalie** has also served as Head of Institutional and Accounting – Trust with the Bank of Butterfield, Financial Controller of Walkers Global Holdings Ltd and previously with Bank Austria Cayman Islands Ltd. In addition to her LLM, Rosalie possesses an MBA from the University of Liverpool and a BSc (Cum Laude) in Accounting from Howard University. **Rosalie** became a CPA in 1986.

**Mrs. Twohey** was appointed as a Member effective 1 May 2021 for a four-year term.



**Mr. Keith Blake** was a Senior Director with Alvarez & Marsal based in the Cayman Islands, until his recent retirement. He has more than 30 years of insolvency and restructuring experience, including the last 21 years working in the Cayman Islands. After leaving school, **Mr. Blake** spent 10 years at NatWest Bank in the U.K., with the last 18 months of that time working in the bank's Insolvency and Debt Recovery department in London. In 1990 **Mr. Blake** joined KPMG in London, spending nine years working on the liquidations of a number of banks, including several that had previously traded in the secondary market of Latin American sovereign-backed debt.

Drawing upon this experience, **Mr. Blake** moved to KPMG in the Cayman Islands in January 2000 to assist in liquidating the Cayman and British Virgin Islands (BVI) subsidiaries of one of the (at the time) largest Brazilian international banks. Staying in the Cayman Islands, **Mr. Blake** continued to work at KPMG taking many appointments as Joint Voluntary Liquidator of Cayman hedge funds and other entities. In addition, **Mr. Blake** played a significant role as one of the Joint Receivers of the underlying companies of a major Seven Mile Beach hotel and resort that went through a financial restructuring in 2012. More recently, **Mr. Blake** has been appointed by the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands as an Interim Administrator over a deceased person's estate. He has also acted as a Controller appointed by Cayman Islands Monetary Authority (CIMA) under the Cayman Islands Mutual Funds Law. **Mr. Blake** is a Notary Public.

**Mr. Blake** was appointed as a Member effective 1 May 2021 for a four-year term.



**Mr. Richard Addlestone** is Senior Counsel at Dart. He has almost thirty years of professional experience, the last eighteen of those being in Cayman working as a partner with Walkers, Appleby, and Bedell (formerly Solomon Harris). Whilst in private practice **Mr. Addlestone** focused primarily on private equity, investment funds, and transactional work with a secondary focus on banking and finance, as well as captive insurance and reinsurance. Prior to relocating to Cayman **Mr. Addlestone** practiced as an English

solicitor at Paisner & Co (now Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner), LeBoeuf Lamb Greene & MacRae (subsequently, Dewey & LeBoeuf) and Denton Wilde Sapte (now Dentons).

**Mr. Addlestone** is a member of the Law Society of England and Wales, a past member of the executive of the Cayman branch of the Alternative Investment Management Association and a former member of the Financial Services Legislative Committee's Sub-Committee for the Companies Law. He was recently appointed to the Cayman Islands Attorneys Regulation Authority. During his professional career **Mr. Addlestone** was heavily involved in training Caymanian attorneys and educating Cayman school children about the legal world as part of a programme sponsored by the law firm he was working with, and with university students visiting from Elon University about how the Cayman Islands operates as an Offshore Financial Centre.

Throughout his time in the Cayman Islands he has participated in community charitable, cultural, and civic affairs ranging from financially supporting various bodies such as Red Cross, CCMI, the National Trust, the Queen Elizabeth II Botanic Park, the Cayman Islands Arts Festival, and others. He has played the violin with the Cayman Islands National Orchestra and other musical ensembles for charitable fundraising events, delivered meals for Meals on Wheels, and volunteered in lionfish culls in Little Cayman, and for the Sister Islands Rock Iguana Preservation Programme.

**Mr. Addlestone** was appointed as a Member effective 1 May 2021 for a four-year term. **Mr. Addlestone** resigned effective 10 October 2022.