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A barrister of 27 years standing at the time of the alleged offences answered three charges concerning his conduct during court proceedings.

- Charge 1 was a charge of professional misconduct contrary to Core Duty 1 and/or Rules rC3.1 and / or rC6 of the Bar Standards Board Handbook.
- Charge 2 was a charge of professional misconduct contrary to Core Duty 3 and / or Rule rC9 of the Bar Standards Board Handbook.
- Charge 3 was a charge of professional misconduct contrary to Core Duty 5 of the Bar Standards Board Handbook

The barrister denied all the charges.

At the hearing, both the BSB and the barrister were represented by counsel. Each party submitted written opening submissions.

There were no live witnesses apart from the respondent.

Each party made full submissions on the facts and the law.

After deliberation, the Tribunal found that all the charges were not proved to the relevant (criminal) standard on the evidence. Accordingly, all the charges were dismissed.

The hearing lasted two days. There were no further applications.

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