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Dear Mr Copson

**Practice note - Sharia Succession Rules**

Further to your engagement with the Law Society in June 2014, I am writing to provide you with an update.

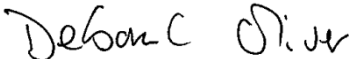
We have reviewed our practice note on Sharia succession principles following your feedback, and that of our members and other stakeholders. Following this review, we have withdrawn the note and it will no longer be available through our website. We have no plans to amend or replace the note.

As you know, the note was intended to support members to better serve clients who had asked for their assets to be distributed in accordance with Sharia succession principles, as far as is allowed by the law of England and Wales.

We are mindful of the criticism we received and we apologise.

Thank you for raising your concerns with the Law Society. We have found your comments and insight constructive. I do hope that you will continue to engage with the Society and its work in the future.

Yours sincerely



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