

Claim No.: KB-2025-003209

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

KING'S BENCH DIVISION

MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS LIST

18th March 2026

BEFORE

**THE HONOURABLE
MRS JUSTICE COLLINS RICE DBE CB**



KB-2025-003209

BETWEEN

SETU KAMAL

Claimant

- and -

(1) TAX POLICY ASSOCIATES LTD

(2) DANIEL NEIDLE

Defendants

ORDER

UPON the Defendants' application by Application Notice dated 20 October 2025 seeking an Order that the Claim Form and Particulars of Claim be struck out for being a SLAPP and/or pursuant to CPR 3.4(2)(c) and/or that parts of the Claim Form and Particulars of Claim be struck out pursuant to CPR 3.4(2)(a) and/or summary judgment on the whole of the claim and that if the claim survives, security for costs is awarded;

AND UPON reading the Particulars of Claim and the Witness Statements of Matthew Gill and Daniel Neidle both dated 20 October 2025, and the Second Witness Statement of Matthew Gill dated 15 December 2025 and considering the documents in the agreed Hearing Bundle;

AND UPON HEARING counsel for the Defendants and the Claimant appearing in person via video-link at a one-day hearing on 10 February 2026;

AND UPON THE COURT handing-down judgment on Wednesday 11 March 2026 with neutral citation [2026] EWHC 551 (KB), and receiving consequential submissions in writing on 10 March 2026;

IT IS DECLARED THAT

- A. This claim is a SLAPP claim within the meaning of section 195 of the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023.

IT IS ORDERED THAT

- (1) The following parts of the Particulars of Claim (and equivalent parts of the Claim Form) be struck out pursuant to CPR 3.4(2)(a) and/or (c)
- a. Paragraph 4 of the Particulars of Claim;
 - b. Paragraph 5(b) of the Particulars of Claim;
 - c. Paragraph 14 of the Particulars of Claim;
 - d. Paragraphs 11, 12, 13(b) and 15(b) of the Particulars of Claim;
 - e. Consequential paragraph 1(d) above, striking-out the whole plea of malice, the entire pleaded malicious falsehood claim in Paragraphs 1, 5, 7, 15, 16 and 17 of the Particulars of Claim and equivalent parts of the Claim Form are struck-out.
- (2) Summary judgment be entered for the Defendants on the whole of the libel claim pursuant to CPR r.24.3.

Costs

- (3) The Claimant shall pay the Defendants' costs of the actions by no later than 4:30pm BST on Wednesday 1st April 2026, which costs are summarily assessed on the indemnity basis in the sum of £ 146,643.88 inclusive of VAT.

Made this 18th day of March 2026