

Statement to Press by Michael Vukcevic - 26 February 2014

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"I resigned from Baldwins on 15 November 2013 for personal reasons.

I do not hold a Bachelor of Law from any University in New Zealand and have never worked in a legal role. I did complete some papers towards a law degree at Victoria University but never completed the degree. I completed a Bachelor of Arts.

I did not seek to mislead Baldwins in my CV for the role. My appointment as Chief Executive Officer of Baldwins did not involve legal work and Baldwins did not hold me out as a qualified lawyer or patent attorney on their website. Equally, I have never been held out as a lawyer in any website profile with the New Zealand Middle East Business Council, any previous roles or on my LinkedIn profile or any business card.

I will not be making any further comment on my private employment matters."

Regards,

Michael Vukcevic