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Disciplinary Committee ordered Removal from the Student Register

On Thursday, 27 June 2019 the Disciplinary Committee of ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) found proved the following allegations against Mr Paul Barrett, of Sale, Cheshire, United Kingdom:

Allegation 1

Mr Paul Barrett, who is registered with ACCA as a student:

- (a) On or around February 2014, orally informed his employer that he had passed ACCA's Professional Level exams when, in fact, he had not;
- (b) On 18 September 2018, submitted to an ACCA Compliance Officer, a myACCA breport, which purported to show he had 'successfully completed 14 out of 14 exams' when, in fact, he had not.
- (c) On 18 September 2018, told an ACCA Compliance Officer that he was an ACCA affiliate when, in fact, he was not.
- (d) Mr Paul Barrett's conduct as set out in paragraph 1 (a) and/or 1 (b) and/or 1 (c) above was:
 - (i) Dishonest, in that he knew that he was not an ACCA affiliate and/or knew that he had not passed the 14 exams he claimed; or in the alternative;

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(e) By reason of his conduct in respect of paragraphs 1 (a) and/or 1 (b) and/or 1 (c) above, Mr Paul Barrett is guilty of misconduct pursuant to bye-law 8(a)(i).

The Disciplinary Committee ordered that Mr Paul Barrett be removed from the student register and to pay costs to ACCA in the sum of £3,500.

Please note that this may be the subject of an appeal.

ACCA's regulations require ACCA to publish the Committee's findings and orders by way of a news release, as soon as practicable.

** An order made by the Disciplinary Committee shall take effect from the date of expiry of the Appeal Period referred to in the Appeal Regulations unless the Committee directs that the order should have immediate effect*

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ACCA supports its **219,000** members and **527,000** students (including affiliates) in **179** countries, helping them to develop successful careers in accounting and business, with the skills required by employers. ACCA works through a network of **110** offices and centres and **7,571** Approved Employers worldwide, and **328** approved learning providers who provide high standards of learning and development.

Through its public interest remit, ACCA promotes appropriate regulation of accounting and conducts relevant research to ensure accountancy continues to grow in reputation and influence.

ACCA has introduced major innovations to its flagship qualification to ensure its members and future members continue to be the most valued, up to date and sought-after accountancy professionals globally.

Founded in 1904, ACCA has consistently held unique core values: opportunity, diversity, innovation, integrity and accountability. More information is here: www.accaglobal.com