

25 October 2019

Disciplinary Committee ordered Exclusion from Membership*

On 23 October 2019, the Disciplinary Committee of ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) found proved the following allegations against Mr Gareth Roger Jones, of Telford, Shropshire, United Kingdom:

Allegation 1

Contrary to paragraph 14(3) of the Global Practising Regulations (as applicable in 2018), between 3 May 2018 and 7 September 2018 Mr Gareth Roger Jones failed to co-operate with ACCA in its monitoring and enforcement of compliance with these regulations in that he:

- (i) Failed to provide confirmation that he had received a report of an ACCA Compliance Review conducted on 18 April 2018 and sent on 19 April 2018
- (ii) Failed to provide ACCA with a copy of his firm's signed continuity agreement by virtue of which his firm had made arrangements to comply with Global Practising Regulation 11
- (iii) Failed to provide confirmation that his firm had addressed money laundering recommendations made in a report of an ACCA Compliance Review conducted on 18 April 2018
- (iv) Failed to provide a copy of his firm's revised letterhead to ACCA

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Allegation 2

Contrary to Paragraph 3(1) of the Complaints and Disciplinary Regulations 2014, Mr Gareth Roger Jones failed to co-operate with the investigation of a complaint in that he failed to provide any or all of the information requested by an investigation officer in correspondence dated:

- i) 4 December 2018
- ii) 2 January 2019
- iii) 16 January 2019

Allegation 3

By reason of his conduct in respect of any or all of the matters set out at 1 and 2 above, Mr Gareth Roger Jones is:

- (a) Guilty of misconduct pursuant to bye-law 8(a)(i)

The Disciplinary Committee ordered that Mr Gareth Roger Jones be excluded from membership and to pay costs to ACCA in the sum of £6,394.74.

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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