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Member Severely Reprimanded*

On 25 June, the Consent Order Chair of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) found proved the following allegations against a member Mr David Jonathan Hanby from Kidderminster, United Kingdom:

Allegation 1

Between February 2013 to 24 February 2015, David Jonathan Hanby FCCA continued to act for Client A and/or did not make the appropriate disclosures to HMRC in respect of Client A, who he suspected had committed a VAT offence, contrary to paragraph 103 of Section B1 (Professional duty of confidence) of ACCA's Code of Ethics and Conduct (as applicable from 2013 to 2015);

Allegation 2

Between 12 May 2012 and 3 April 2013, David Jonathan Hanby FCCA did not promptly report suspected money laundering (namely suspected tax evasion on the part of Client A) to the Serious Organised Crime Agency, contrary to Section B2 (Anti-Money Laundering) and/or Section 150 (Professional behavior) of ACCA's Code of Ethics and Conduct (as applicable from 2012 to 2013);

Allegation 3

By reason of his conduct in respect of allegations 1 and/or 2, David Jonathan Hanby FCCA is:

(a) Liable to disciplinary action pursuant to bye-law 8(a)(iii).

The Consent Orders Chair ordered that Mr David Jonathan Hanby be severely reprimanded, and pay costs to ACCA in the sum £2,000.00.

ACCA's regulations require ACCA to publish the Chair's finding and orders by way of a press release, as soon as practicable.

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