

News release

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Member severely reprimanded*

On 10 March 2023, the Consent Orders Chair of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) found proved the following allegations against a member, Mr Martyn Andrew Smith of Haywards Heath, United Kingdom:

Allegation 1

On 17 September 2019, Mr Smith submitted to a third party a letter containing organisational information relating to the structure and ownership of Company A which he had created purporting to be from his employer's auditors when it was not.

Allegation 2

By reason of the matters referred to in Allegation 1 above, Mr Smith acted contrary to the Fundamental Principle of Professional Behaviour and is guilty of misconduct and liable to disciplinary action pursuant to byelaw 8(a)(i).

The Consent Orders Chair ordered that Mr Smith be severely reprimanded and pay costs to ACCA in the sum of £950.00.

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

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