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# News release

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## **Student severely reprimanded\***

On 22 September 2023, the Consent Orders Chair of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) found proved the following allegations against a student, Miss Ekaterina Zenina of London, United Kingdom

### Allegations

#### Allegation 1

Miss Ekaterina Zenina, a student of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA):

- 1) Breached the Membership Regulations 2014 (as applicable in 2020) with regard to any or all of the following:
- 2) Between 15 January 2020 to 17 August 2023, she has been the Director of Firm A "the Firm" where public practice was carried on in the name of the Firm, without a practising certificate, contrary to Regulation 8(2)(a)(iii) of the Membership Regulations 2014.
- 3) Between 15 January 2020 to 17 August 2023 she held 100 shares in "the Firm" where public practice was carried on in the name of the firm, which in effect put her in the position of a Principle of the firm, without a practising certificate, contrary to Paragraph 8(2)(a)(iv) of the Membership Regulations 2014.

#### Allegation 2

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- 4) Between 15 January 2020 to 24 August 2020 and 01 September 2021 to 14 February 2022, Miss Ekaterina Zenina failed to comply with the Money Laundering, Terrorist Financing and Transfer of Funds (information on the payer) Regulations 2017, in that she was not supervised for Anti-Money Laundering ("AML").

### Allegation 3

- 5) By reason of her conduct above Miss Ekaterina Zenina is:
- i) Guilty of misconduct pursuant to bye-law 8(a)(i); or in the alternative;
  - ii) In respect of allegation 1 and 2, liable to disciplinary action pursuant to byelaw 8(a)(iii)

The Consent Orders Chair ordered that Ekaterina Zenina be severely reprimanded and pay costs to ACCA in the sum of £1568

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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