

Notice of hearing

A hearing of ACCA's Disciplinary Committee will take place at 08.00am on 19 April 2024. It will be held remotely but based at the ACCA's Offices, The Adelphi, 1-11 John Adam Street, London, WC2N 6AU.

The hearing is open to any member of the public or the media who wish to attend. However, ACCA is only able to accommodate remote access to the hearing. Please contact adminadjudication@accaglobal.com to obtain information about attending this (or any other) hearing.

The case to be heard on this day concerns Mr Abhi Goyal

Allegations

Mr Abhi Goyal (Mr Goyal), a student of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA):

1. On 19 December 2022, during a remotely invigilated Business and Technology exam ("the exam") session:
 - (a) Caused or permitted a third party to be present with him in the same room where he sat the exam, contrary to Examination Regulation 20;
 - (b) Spoke to a third party during his exam contrary to Examination Regulation 16;
 - (c) Attempted to deceive the proctor by giving false or misleading information about the presence of a third party in the same room where he sat the exam contrary to Examination Regulation 3;
2. Mr Goyal's conduct as referred to in paragraph 1c above was:
 - (a) Dishonest in that Mr Goyal informed the proctor that a third party was not in the same room where he sat the exam, when this was not true,

(b) Demonstrates a failure to act with integrity;

3. Contrary to Regulation 3(1) of the Complaints and Disciplinary Regulations 2014 (as amended), Mr Goyal failed to co-operate with the investigation of this complaint, in that he did not respond in full or otherwise to any or all of ACCA's correspondence sent on:

(a) 11 January 2023;

(b) 03 February 2023;

(c) 27 February 2023;

(d) 16 March 2023

4. By reason of his conduct, Mr Goyal is:

(a) Guilty of misconduct pursuant to bye-law 8(a)(i), in respect of any or all of the matters set out at 1 to 3 above; or in the alternative,

(b) In respect of allegations 1 and 3 only liable to disciplinary action pursuant to bye-law 8(a)(iii).

The allegations listed above are current at the date of publication.

The case will be heard by a panel of the ACCA's Disciplinary Committee.

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