

15 May 2025

## **Disciplinary Committee ordered member excluded\***

On 23 April 2025, the Disciplinary Committee of ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) found proved the following allegations against Miss Wei Jia Zhang of Shanghai, China:

### Allegations

Miss Wei Jia Zhang ('Miss Zhang'), at all material times an ACCA trainee,

1. On or about 26 May 2022 in relation to her ACCA Practical Experience Record caused or permitted a third party
  - a) To register Person A as her practical experience supervisor and further,
  - b) To approve in Person A's name 36 months of qualifying experience and further,
  - c) To approve in Person A's name, all her performance objectives.
2. Whether by herself or through a third party applied for membership to ACCA on or about 27 May 2022 and in doing so purported to confirm in relation to her ACCA Practical Experience training record she had achieved all or any of the following Performance Objectives:
  - Performance Objective 1: Ethics and professionalism
  - Performance Objective 2: Stakeholder relationship management
  - Performance Objective 3: Strategy, innovation and sustainable value creation
  - Performance Objective 4: Governance, risk and control
  - Performance Objective 5: Leadership and management
  - Performance Objective 6: Record and process transactions and events
  - Performance Objective 17: Tax planning and advice
  - Performance Objective 21: Business advisory
  - Performance Objective 22: Data analysis and decision support

3. Miss Zhang's conduct in respect of the matters described above was:
- a) In relation to Allegation 1a), dishonest, in that Miss Zhang knew her supervisor, Person A, had been falsely registered as her practical experience supervisor.
  - b) In relation to Allegation 1b), dishonest in that Miss Zhang knew her supervisor, Person A, had not approved her qualifying experience.
  - c) In relation to Allegation 1c), dishonest in that Miss Zhang knew Person A had not approved her nine performance objectives.
  - d) In relation to Allegation 2, dishonest in that Miss Zhang knew she had not achieved all or any of the performance objectives as described in the corresponding performance objective statements or at all.
5. By reason of her conduct, Miss Zhang is guilty of misconduct pursuant to ACCA bye-law 8(a)(i) in respect of any or all of the matters set out at 1 to 4 above.

The Disciplinary Committee ordered that Miss Zhang be excluded from membership and to pay costs to ACCA in the sum of £6,530.

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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Founded in 1904 to widen access to the accountancy profession, we've long championed inclusion and today proudly support a diverse community of over 252,500 members and 526,000 future members in 180 countries.

Our forward-looking qualifications, continuous learning and insights are respected and valued by employers in every sector. They equip individuals with the business and finance expertise and ethical judgment to create, protect, and report the sustainable value delivered by organisations and economies.

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