

14 May 2025

Notice of hearing

A hearing of ACCA's Disciplinary Committee will take place at 09.30am on 03, 04 & 05 June 2025. 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 Priyank Patel.

Allegations

Mr Priyank Patel, an ACCA Member:

1. Secured full-time employment with Firm A on or about 1 March 2015 on the basis that he would devote the whole of his time, attention and abilities during his hours of work to his duties within Firm A and also his agreement to other restrictions relating to employment elsewhere, but failed to disclose to Firm A until 19 December 2022 he had obtained full-time employment with Firm B commencing on 9 September 2022.
2. Secured and thereafter retained full-time employment with Firm B commencing on 9 September 2022 by falsely confirming if he was appointed that:
 - (i) He would terminate his employment with Firm A and he would just be contracting with them on an ad hoc basis to work for them up to 10 hours per week which would be performed outside his contracted hours with Firm B and
 - (ii) Falsely confirming to Firm B on 9 December 2022 that his employment with Firm A had ended.

3. By reason of the matters referred to in Allegations 1 and 2 above, Mr Patel was dishonest in that:
 - (a) He failed to disclose to Firm A he had obtained full-time employment with Firm B despite the matters referred to in Allegation 1 above.
 - (b) Secured and/or remained in employment with Firm B on the basis of the confirmations he gave as referred to in Allegation 2 above.
 - (c) In the alternative such conduct demonstrated a failure to act with integrity in respect of his dealings with Firm A and/or Firm B as referred to in Allegations 1 and 2 above.
4. By reason of his conduct, Mr Patel is guilty of misconduct pursuant to bye-law 8(a)(i).

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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