

News release

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Disciplinary Committee ordered member to be excluded with immediate effect*

On 21 March 2025, the Disciplinary Committee of ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) found proved the following allegations against Miss Ling Xi Fan of Chengdu, China:

<u>Allegations</u>

Miss Ling Xi Fan ('Miss Fan'), at all material times an ACCA trainee:

- 1) On or about 10 October 2021 in relation to her ACCA Practical Experience Training 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 her performance objectives.
- 2) Whether by herself or through a third party applied for membership to ACCA on or about 20 October 2021 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 2: Stakeholder relationship management
- Performance Objective 3: Strategy and innovation
- Performance Objective 4: Governance, risk and control
- 3) Miss Fan's conduct in respect of the matters described above was:
 - a) In relation to Allegation 1 a), dishonest in that Miss Fan knew her supervisor, Person A, had been falsely registered as her practical experience supervisor.

- b) In relation to Allegation 1 b), dishonest in that Miss Fan knew her supervisor, Person A, had not approved her nine performance objectives.
- 4) In the further alternative any or all of the conduct referred to in Allegations 1 and 2 above was reckless in that:
 - b) Miss Fan paid no or insufficient regard to ACCA's requirements to ensure that the statements corresponding with the performance objectives referred to in Allegation 2 accurately set out how each objective had been met.
- 5) By reason of her conduct, Miss Fan is guilty of misconduct pursuant to ACCA byelaw 8(a)(i) in respect of any or all the matters set out at 1 to 4 above.

The Disciplinary Committee ordered that Miss Ling Xi Fan be excluded with immediate effect and to pay costs to ACCA in the sum of £3,000.

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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