

16 October 2024

Notice of hearing

A hearing of ACCA's Disciplinary Committee will take place at 08.30am on 13 November 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 Hasnain Taj Abbasi.

Allegations

Mr Hasnain Taj Abbasi, an ACCA student, during a remotely invigilated MA1 Management Information examination taken 16 December 2020:

1. Used an unauthorised item namely an electronic device capable of taking photographs.
2. Further to the matters referred to in Allegation 1, took 56 photographs of exam questions as presented on his PC screen.
3. Further to the matters referred to in Allegations 1 and 2 shared some or all of those photographs referred to in Allegation 2 with a person or persons unknown.
4. By the reason of the matters referred to above in respect of Allegations 1 to 3, Mr Abbasi is in breach of one or more of:
 - a) Exam Regulations 6 in respect of Allegation 1
 - b) Exam Regulation 14 in respect of Allegation 2
 - c) Exam Regulation 10 in respect of Allegation 3

- d) Exam Regulation 14 in respect of Allegation 3
5. Mr Abbasi's conduct as referred to in Allegations 1 to 4 above, was:
- a) Dishonest in that he took photographs of one or more of the exam questions to use as a revision aid should he have to re-sit the exam
 - b) Dishonest in that sharing the photographs with a person or persons unknown whether during the exam or otherwise and or in with another or other exam candidates sitting the same exam whether directly or otherwise could provide them with an unfair advantage in the same exam, in the alternative,
 - c) Such conduct if not dishonest demonstrates a failure to act with Integrity.
6. By reason of his conduct, Mr Abbasi is liable to disciplinary action pursuant to:
- a) Bye-law 8(a)(i) or in the alternative
 - b) Bye-law 8 (a)(iii) in respect of breaches of the exam regulations as set out in Allegation 4 above.

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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