

01 November 2024

Disciplinary Committee ordered member excluded*

On 23 October 2024, the Disciplinary Committee of ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) found proved the following allegations against Mr Qihua Chen of Shenzhen City, China:

Allegations

Mr Qihua Chen ('Mr Chen'), at all material times an ACCA trainee,

1. Whether by himself or through a third party applied for membership to ACCA on or about 25 September 2022 and in doing so purported to confirm in relation to his ACCA Practical Experience training record he had achieved the following Performance Objectives:
 - Performance Objective 1: Ethics and professionalism
 - Performance Objective 2: Stakeholder relationship management
 - Performance Objective 3: Strategy and innovation
 - Performance Objective 4: Governance, risk and control
 - Performance Objective 5: Leadership and management
 - Performance Objective 7: Prepare external financial reports
 - Performance Objective 8: Analyse and interpret financial reports
 - Performance Objective 14: Monitor performance
 - Performance Objective 18: Prepare for and plan the audit and assurance process

2. Mr Chen's conduct in respect of the matters described in Allegation 1 above was:
 - a) Dishonest in that Mr Chen knew he had not achieved all or any of the performance objectives referred to in Allegation 1 above as described in the corresponding performance objective statements or at all.

4. Failed to co-operate with ACCA's Investigating Officer in breach of Complaints and Disciplinary Regulation 3(1) in that he failed to respond fully or at all to any or all of ACCA's correspondence dated,
 - a) 15 April 2024
 - b) 30 April 2024
 - c) 15 May 2024

5. By reason of his conduct, Mr Chen is:
 - a) Guilty of misconduct pursuant to ACCA bye-law 8(a)(i) in respect of any or all the matters set out at 1 to 4 above.

The Disciplinary Committee ordered that Mr Qihua Chen be excluded from ACCA membership with immediate effect and to pay costs to ACCA in the sum of £5,750.00.

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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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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