

News release

07 August 2024

Notice of hearing

A hearing of ACCA's Disciplinary Committee will take place at 09.30am on 04 September 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 John Edward Alexander.

Allegations

Allegation 1

- (a) That on 17 November 2016, John Alexander purchased a motor vehicle (registration number PX63 PVT) for his own personal use which he then caused to be:
 - (i) Registered as an asset of Company A, of which he was the Finance Director; and/or
 - (ii) Included in the VAT Return of Company A with the result that VAT would be reclaimed in respect of the motor vehicle and would not be payable by him personally.
- (b) Mr Alexander's conduct in respect of 1(a) was:
 - (i) Dishonest, in that he knew that the motor vehicle was for his own personal use yet caused this to be registered as an asset of Company A and/or included in the VAT return of Company A; or in the alternative

- (ii) Contrary to the Fundamental Principle of Integrity, as applicable from 2016 to 2019, in that such conduct demonstrates a failure to be straightforward and honest; or in the alternative
- (iii) Contrary to the Fundamental Principle of Professional Competence and Due Care, as applicable from 2016 to 2019.

Allegation 2

- (a) That John Alexander sent a letter to ACCA dated 19 June 2019 in which he incorrectly stated that the purchase of a motor vehicle (registration number PX63 PVT) was initially processed through Company A in error.
- (b) Mr Alexander's conduct in respect of 2(a) was:
 - (i) Dishonest, in that he knew that the purchase of the motor vehicle was being processed through Company A; or in the alternative
 - (ii) Contrary to the Fundamental Principle of Integrity, as applicable in 2019, in that such conduct demonstrates a failure to be straightforward and honest.

Allegation 3

Contrary to Regulation 3(1)(a) of the Complaints and Disciplinary Regulations 2014 (as applicable in 2021), John Alexander failed to co-operate fully with the investigation of a complaint in that he failed to respond fully or at all to ACCA's correspondence on:

- (a) 18 February 2021; and/or
- (b) 12 March 2021; and/or
- (c) 29 March 2021.

Allegation 4

By reason of his conduct, Mr Alexander is:

- (a) Guilty of misconduct in respect of any or all the matters set out at allegations 1, 2 and/or 3, pursuant to bye-law 8(a)(i); or in the alternative
- (b) Liable to disciplinary action in respect of any or all the matters set out at allegations 1(b)(iii) and/or 3, pursuant to bye-law 8(a)(iii).

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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