

## News release

17 January 2025

## Notice of hearing

A hearing of ACCA's Disciplinary Committee will take place at 08.30am on 14 February 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 Miss Alishba Bhatti.

## Allegations

- On 02 October 2023, during a remotely invigilated FFA Financial Accounting exam session, Miss 1. Bhatti caused or permitted a third party to be present with her in the same room where she sat her exam contrary to Examination Regulation 20.
- 2. In the course of ACCA's investigation regarding allegation 1 above, Miss Bhatti confirmed by email on 29 January 2024 that a third party was not present in the room when she sat her FFA - Financial Accounting exam but subsequently in an email sent by her to the case officer on 30 January 2024 and in a phone discussion with the case officer on 21 March 2024, she confirmed that her brother was in the exam room with her for '...2-3 minutes...'.
- 3. By reason of the matters referred to in allegation 2 Miss Bhatti was
  - Dishonest in that by her email of 29 January 2024 Miss Bhatti attempted to mislead ACCA a) regarding whether a third party was present in the same room where she was sitting her exam;
  - b) In the alternative such conduct demonstrates a lack of integrity.

4.	By reason of her conduct, Miss Bhatti is:	
	a)	Guilty of misconduct pursuant to bye-law 8(a)(i) or in the alternative,

In respect of allegation 1 only, liable to disciplinary action 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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