

25 February 2025

## Member severely reprimanded\*

On 14 February 2025, the Consent Orders Chair of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) found proved the following allegations against a member, Mr Christopher Soper, of Dunstable, United Kingdom:

### Allegations

1. Between 26 June 2017 and 11 March 2024, Mr Christopher Soper failed on behalf of the Firm, to comply with the Money Laundering, Terrorist Financing and Transfer of Funds (Information on the Payer) Regulations 2017 namely:
  - a. Regulation 18 (Firm-wide risk assessment by relevant persons) until 11 March 2024
  - b. Regulation 19 (Policies, controls and procedures) until 2022
  - c. Regulation 27-32 (Customer Due Diligence) until December 2023.
2. By reason of the conduct set out at Allegation 1, Mr Christopher Soper failed to comply with Section B2 of ACCA's Code of Ethics and Conduct (Anti-Money Laundering) (as applicable in 2017 to 2024).
3. By reason of the conduct set out in Allegations 1 and 2, Mr Christopher Soper is guilty of misconduct pursuant to bye-law 8(a)(i).

The Consent Orders Chair ordered that Mr Soper be severely reprimanded and pay costs to ACCA in the sum of £2315.00 and a fine of £5000.00.

ACCA's regulations require ACCA to publish the Committee's finding and orders by way of a press release, as soon as practicable.

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