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Disciplinary Tribunal

NASEEM AHMED BAJWA

Called to the Bar by: Gray's Inn, May 2012

Type of hearing: 5 person Disciplinary Tribunal

Date of decision: 9 January 2024

In breach of:

Professional misconduct contrary to Core Duty 3 and/or rC8 and/or Core Duty 5 and/or Core Duty 9.

Details of offence:

Charge 1

Statement of Offence

Professional misconduct, contrary to Core Duty 3 and/or rC8 of the Code of Conduct of the Bar of England and Wales (9th Edition) Bar Standards Board's Handbook (Version 4.6).

Particulars of Offence

Naseem Ahmed Bajwa acted without honesty and integrity and/or undermined his honesty and integrity in that on 11 January 2022 and/or on 14 January 2022, he knowingly misled (or alternatively, attempted to mislead) the Bar Council and/or the Bar Standards Board, by providing false information as part of his authorisation to practise application by stating:

(1) He was a door tenant at Martin Burr Chambers; and

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(2) He would start practising as a self-employed barrister at Martin Burr Chambers on 12 January 2022 and/or on 17 January 2022, respectively.

When at such time, he had not made an application for tenancy at Martin Burr Chambers and was not a door tenant.

Charge 2 (In the alternative to charge 1)

Statement of Offence

Professional misconduct, contrary to Core Duty 3 and/or rC8 of the Code of Conduct of the Bar of England and Wales (9th Edition) Bar Standards Board's Handbook (Version 4.6).

Particulars of Offence

Naseem Ahmed Bajwa acted without integrity and/or undermined his integrity in such a way that could be seen in that on 11 January 2022 and/or on 14 January 2022, he recklessly misled (or alternatively, attempted to mislead) the Bar Council and/or the Bar Standards Board, by providing false information as part of his authorisation to practise application by stating:

(1) He was a door tenant at Martin Burr Chambers; and

(2) He would start practising as a self-employed barrister at Martin Burr Chambers on 12 January 2022 and/or on 17 January 2022, respectively.

When at such time, he had not made an application for tenancy at Martin Burr Chambers and was not a door tenant.

Charge 3

Statement of Offence

Professional misconduct, contrary to Core Duty 5 of the Code of Conduct of the Bar of England and Wales (9th Edition) Bar Standards Board's Handbook (Version 4.6).

Particulars of Offence

Naseem Ahmed Bajwa behaved in a way that was likely to diminish the trust and confidence that the public places in him or the profession in that, on 11 January 2022 and/or 14 January 2022, he knowingly misled (or alternatively, attempted to mislead) the Bar Council and/or the Bar

Standards Board, by providing false information as part of his authorisation to practise application by stating:

- (1) He was a door tenant at Martin Burr Chambers; and
- (2) He would start practising as a self-employed barrister at Martin Burr Chambers on 12 January 2022 and/or on 17 January 2022, respectively.

When at such time, he had not made an application for tenancy at Martin Burr Chambers and was not a door tenant at Martin Burr Chambers.

Charge 4 (In the alternative)

Statement of Offence

Professional misconduct, contrary to Core Duty 5 of the Code of Conduct of the Bar of England and Wales (9th Edition) Bar Standards Board's Handbook (Version 4.6).

Particulars of Offence

Naseem Ahmed Bajwa, behaved in a way that was likely to diminish the trust and confidence that the public places in him or the profession in that, in that on 11 January 2022 and/or on 14 January 2022, he recklessly misled (or alternatively, attempted to mislead) the Bar Council and/or the Bar Standards Board, by providing false information as part of his authorisation to practise application by stating:

- (1) He was a door tenant at Martin Burr Chambers; and
- (2) He would start practising as a self-employed barrister at Martin Burr Chambers on 12 January 2022 and/or on 17 January 2022, respectively.

When at such time, he had not made an application for tenancy at Martin Burr Chambers and was not a door tenant.

Charge 5

Statement of Offence

Professional misconduct, contrary to Core Duty 9 of the Code of Conduct of the Bar of England and Wales (9th Edition) Bar Standards Board's Handbook (Version 4.6).

Particulars of Offence

Naseem Ahmed Bajwa failed to be open and co-operative with his regulator, in that between 20 January 2022 and 31 January 2022, he knowingly misled (or alternatively, attempted to mislead) the Bar Council and/or the Bar Standards Board, by creating the impression that he had applied for tenancy at Martin Burr Chambers and was awaiting a decision, when in fact he had only submitted his application for tenancy on 15 February 2022.

Charge 6 (In the alternative to charge 5)

Statement of Offence

Professional misconduct, contrary to Core Duty 9 of the Code of Conduct of the Bar of England and Wales (9th Edition) Bar Standards Board's Handbook (Version 4.6).

Particulars of Offence

Naseem Ahmed Bajwa failed to be open and co-operative with his regulator, in that between 20 January 2022 and 31 January 2022, he recklessly misled (or alternatively, attempted to mislead) the Bar Council and/or the Bar Standards Board, by creating the impression that he had applied for tenancy at Martin Burr Chambers and was awaiting a decision, when in fact he had only submitted his application for tenancy on 15 February 2022.

Findings:

Charge 1	Dismissed
Charge 2	Proved
Charge 3	Dismissed
Charge 4	Proved
Charge 5	Dismissed
Charge 6	Dismissed

Sanction:

Disbarred and costs of £2670 to be awarded to the Bar Standards Board.

