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Disciplinary Tribunal

MS ANISAH AHMED

Called to the Bar by: Middle Temple, November 2012

Type of hearing: 5 Person Tribunal

Date of decision: 27 February 2018

In breach of:

Core Duty 3 of the Bar Standards Board Handbook [1st Edition] and paragraphs 301(a)(i) and 901.7 of the Code of Conduct of the Bar of England and Wales (8th Edition).

Details of offence:

Anisah Ahmed, failed to act with honesty and integrity, in that between the 1 July 2014 and the 30 November 2014 knowingly or recklessly misled or attempted to mislead the Membership and Pupillage Committee of Staple Inn Chambers, by submitting a CV in support of her application for pupillage at that Chambers which was false in material particulars in that she represented that she: [1] had completed a LLM in Legal Practice at Cardiff University in 2013; [2] had been awarded a distinction; and [3] had written a dissertation on “Rights to die”; the same representations being untrue and the said conduct amounting to professional misconduct.

Anisah Ahmed, failed to act with honesty and integrity, in that between the 1 July 2014 and the 30 November 2014 knowingly or recklessly misled or attempted to mislead the Membership and Pupillage Committee of Staple Inn Chambers, by submitting a CV in support of her application for pupillage at that Chambers which was false in material particulars in that she represented that she: [1] had completed a LLM in Legal Practice at Cardiff University in 2013; [2] had been awarded a Diploma in Forensic Medicine in 2013; [2] had been awarded

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a merit; the same representations being untrue and the said conduct amounting to professional misconduct.

Anisah Ahmed, failed to act with honesty and integrity, in that between the 1 July 2014 and the 30 November 2014 knowingly or recklessly misled or attempted to mislead the Membership and Pupillage Committee of Staple Inn Chambers, by submitting a CV in support of her application for pupillage at that Chambers which was false in material particulars in that she represented that she: [1] had worked for the Free Representation Unit between 2011 and 2012; [2] had successfully represented 8 clients in unfair dismissal claims; and [3] had cross examined respondents and dealt with judicial interventions and med submissions on her client's behalf; the same representations being untrue and the said conduct amounting to professional misconduct.

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Anisah Ahmed, engaged in conduct which was dishonest or otherwise discreditable to a barrister in that she submitted to the Bar Standards Board Qualifications Committee an application for pupillage dated 1 October 2013 in which she: [1] falsely described herself as having relevant experience and carrying out legal work at a solicitors firm between 2003 to 2008 and 2008 to 2012, whereas she was employed between February 2008 to February 2009 as a secretary / receptionist carrying out mainly administrative functions and [2] produced a reference from a Principal Solicitor at that firm that was not authentic and was forged.

Anisah Ahmed, engaged in conduct which was dishonest or otherwise discreditable to a barrister in that she submitted to the Bar Standards Board Qualifications Committee an application for reduction of pupillage dated 1 October 2013 in which she produced a reference from a former Assistant Solicitor at a firm of solicitors that was not authentic and was forged.

Sanction: Disbarred.

Status: Open to Appeal.