## Vanessa Tamara Gibson-Marks

CALL/INN: Called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn, July 2000

TYPE OF HEARING: 5 Person Disciplinary Tribunal

**DATE OF DECISION**: 16th January 2017

## In breach of

rC8, Core Duty 5, Core Duty 9 and rC65.2 of the Bar Standards Board Handbook (1st Edition).

## **Details of Offence**

Vanessa Gibson-Marks, a barrister called to the Bar of England and Wales and the St Lucia Bar behaved in a way which undermined her honesty, integrity and independence in that on the 14<sup>th</sup> October 2014, in St Vincent and the Grenadines and whilst holding the Public Office of Registrar of the High Court, Vanessa Gibson-Marks was convicted of theft of EC\$21,925 belonging to the Mediation Programme at the High Court.

Vanessa Gibson-Marks, a barrister called to the Bar of England and Wales and the St Lucia Bar on the 14<sup>th</sup> October 2014, in St Vincent and the Grenadines and whilst holding the Public Office of Registrar of the High Court and in direct abuse of the authority of that Office, was convicted of an arbitrary act prejudicial to the rights of another person, namely to request that a bank account for the benefit of another be closed.

Vanessa Gibson-Marks, a barrister called to the Bar of England and Wales and the St Lucia Bar behaved in a way which was likely to diminish the trust and confidence which the public places in the profession in that on the 14<sup>th</sup> October 2014, in St Vincent and the Grenadines and whilst holding the Public Office of Registrar of the High Court, she was convicted of theft of EC\$21,925 belonging to the Mediation Programme at the High Court.

Vanessa Gibson-Marks, a barrister called to the Bar of England and Wales and the St Lucia Bar behaved in a way which was likely to diminish the trust and confidence which the public places in her or the profession in that on the on the 14<sup>th</sup> October 2014, in St Vincent and the Grenadines and whilst holding the Public Office of Registrar of the High Court and in direct abuse of the authority of that Office, she was convicted of an arbitrary act prejudicial to the rights of another person, namely to request that a bank account for the benefit of another be closed.

On the 14<sup>th</sup> October 2014 Vanessa Gibson-Marks was convicted of criminal offences which were not minor offences and failed to report such matters to the Bar Standards Board promptly or at all.

**SENTENCE**: Disbarred. Fined £500.

**STATUS**: Final.