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The Council of the Inns of Court

Disciplinary Tribunal

AZFAR BAJWA

Called to the Bar by: Gray's Inn, July 1996

Type of hearing: 5 Person Tribunal

Date of decision: 19 September 2019

In breach of:

Paragraph 905[b] of the Code of Conduct of the Bar of England and Wales [8th Edition], Core Duty 9 and rC65.3 and rC65.7 and Core Duties 1, 3, 5 and rC8 of the Bar Standards Board Handbook.

Details of offence:

Between 23 March 2009 and 5 January 2014, Azfar Naseem Bajwa, an unregistered barrister, who was also admitted to the Roll of Solicitors on 1st March 2005, failed to inform the Bar Standards Board promptly or at all, that he was the subject of disciplinary proceedings by the Solicitors Regulatory Authority, an Approved Regulator, and that following a hearing on the 10 February 2010, he was made the subject of a Finding of professional misconduct by the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal [as set out in the written findings of the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal dated 10 June 2010]. This was conduct likely to diminish trust and confidence in the legal profession, and which demonstrated a lack of openness and co-operation with the Bar Standards Board, his Regulator.

Between 6 January 2014 and 21 February 2018, Azfar Naseem Bajwa, an unregistered barrister, who was also admitted to the Roll of Solicitors on 1st March 2005, failed to inform the Bar Standards Board promptly or at all, that he was the subject of disciplinary proceedings by the Solicitors Regulatory Authority, an Approved Regulator, and that following a hearing on the 10 February 2010, he was made the subject of a Finding of professional misconduct by

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the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal [as set out in the written findings of the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal dated 10 June 2010]. This was conduct likely to diminish trust and confidence in the legal profession, and which demonstrated a lack of openness and co-operation with the Bar Standards Board, his Regulator.

Between 5 August 2014 and 20 July 2015, Azfar Naseem Bajwa, an unregistered barrister, who was also admitted to the Roll of Solicitors on 1st March 2005, failed to observe his duty to the court in the administration of justice as set out in the Findings of the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal dated 13 December 2017, in relation to allegations 1.1, 1.2, 1.3 and 1.5 against Azfar Naseem Bajwa in those Solicitors Disciplinary proceedings. As recorded in the written findings of the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal [SDT] dated 13 December 2017, the SDT found the allegations proved and that Azfar Naseem Bajwa was guilty of professional misconduct. The SDT ordered that he be struck off the Roll of Solicitors.

Between 5 August 2014 and 20 July 2015, Azfar Naseem Bajwa, an unregistered barrister, who was also admitted to the Roll of Solicitors on 1st March 2005, behaved in a way which was likely to diminish the trust and confidence which the public places in a barrister and in the profession as set out in the Findings of the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal dated 13 December 2017, in relation to allegations 1.1, 1.2, 1.3 and 1.5 against Azfar Naseem Bajwa in those Solicitors Disciplinary proceedings. As recorded in the written findings of the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal [SDT] dated 13 December 2017, the SDT found the allegations proved and that Azfar Naseem Bajwa was guilty of professional misconduct. The SDT ordered that he be struck off the Roll of Solicitors.

Between 5 August 2014 and 20 July 2015, Azfar Naseem Bajwa, an unregistered barrister, who was also admitted to the Roll of Solicitors on 1st March 2005, behaved in a way which could reasonably be seen by the public to undermine his honesty and integrity as set out in the Findings of the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal dated 13 December 2017, in relation to allegations 1.1, 1.2, 1.3 and 1.5 against Azfar Naseem Bajwa in those Solicitors Disciplinary proceedings. As recorded in the written findings of the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal [SDT] dated 13 December 2017, the SDT found the allegations proved and that Azfar Naseem Bajwa was guilty of professional misconduct. The SDT ordered that he be struck off the Roll of Solicitors.

Between 5 May 2017 and February 2018, Azfar Naseem Bajwa, an unregistered barrister, who was also admitted to the Roll of Solicitors on 1st March 2005, but struck off the Roll of Solicitors as recorded in the written Findings of the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal dated 13 December 2017, failed to report promptly or at all to the Bar Standards Board that he was the subject of disciplinary proceedings by the Solicitors Regulatory Authority, an Approved Regulator, and that following a hearing on the 24-25 October 2017 he was struck off the Roll of Solicitors on the basis of findings of professional misconduct by the Solicitors Disciplinary

Tribunal. This is conduct likely to diminish trust and confidence in the legal profession and which demonstrated a lack of openness and co-operation with the BSB, his Regulator.

Sanction: Disbarred.

Status: Final.