

**CHENJELANI, PROSPER**

**Notice and Summary of Discipline Committee Decision and Order Case #1710-24**

Following the receipt of a Formal Complaint made by the Professional Conduct Committee, the Discipline Committee commenced a hearing regarding the conduct of Prosper Chenjelani on October 6 – 8, 2020 and concluded on February 19, 2021.

The Formal Complaint arose in the context of the registrant attempting to inappropriately influence the completion and outcome of a conduct investigation.

The general nature of the formal complaint on which the Discipline Committee made a determination of guilt relates to professional misconduct as defined in section 26 of *The Accounting Profession Act* (“the Act”) and Bylaw 200.2 made or continued pursuant to the Act.

The relevant Rule of Professional Conduct considered is 224.2.

Specifically, it was determined by the Panel that upon learning of the details of an investigation concerning his conduct, the registrant contacted the CPA investigator by means of two emails and one telephone discussion in which he aggressively challenged the investigator and the Institute in general, including threats of legal action, with a view to curtailing the investigation of the complaint against him.

The Panel views the misconduct at issue as a serious matter. The Institute must have the ability to carry out independent investigations of complaints, free from threats, harassment and intimidation as that is central to the integrity of the Institute’s investigation process and its ability to serve the public interest.

The Discipline Committee therefore issued the following order:

- That Mr. Chenjelani shall be fined the sum of \$5,000.00;
- That Mr. Chenjelani shall receive and acknowledge a written reprimand issued by the Chair of the Discipline Panel;
- That a summary of the breach and sanction and the Decision and Order of the Discipline Committee shall be published, on a named basis on the Institute website and newsletter;
- That Mr. Chenjelani shall be required to pay costs in the sum of \$10,000.00; and
- That Mr. Chenjelani shall remit payment of all fines and costs as set out above to the Institute within 180 days from the date this Determination and Order becomes final under the bylaws.

**The text of relevant bylaws and rules of professional conduct:**

***Rules of Professional Conduct***

200.2 A registrant or suspended registrant shall, at all times, exercise appropriate moral behaviour and shall comply with the laws of Canada and the province in which they reside or in which they provide professional services.

*Hindrance, Inappropriate Influence and Intimidation*

224.2 A member, student or firm shall not harass, threaten or intimidate a complainant, witness, or any other person related to a regulatory matter of the Institute nor shall a member, student or firm harass, threaten or intimidate officers, staff, volunteers or agents of the Institute acting on behalf of the Institute.

This notice is issued pursuant to Bylaw 49.1 and the terms of the Order.

Authorized by:  
Leigha Hubick, CPA, CA  
Registrar  
CPA Saskatchewan

March 22, 2021