

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION – CLINT DUCHARME

The discipline hearing of Clint Ducharme was held virtually via Zoom on February 24, 2021 and continued on February 25, 2021. In its written decision dated June 17, 2021, the Discipline Tribunal found Mr. Ducharme guilty of unprofessional conduct in that he:

- 1. Paid himself or his corporation, #Co Alberta Ltd., \$17,703.11 on April 3, 2019 from Company W bank accounts for his personal benefit, when he knew or ought to have known that he was not entitled to do so; and
- 2. Personated a subordinate, ID, by taking and using the bank authorization device (fob) issued to them to approve banking transactions that required dual authentication, without the knowledge or consent of the senior management of Company W.

All of which is contrary to the provisions of the *Chartered Professional Accountants Act*, SA 2014, c. C-10.2, or the regulations, by-laws, Rules of Professional Conduct enacted pursuant thereto or standards of practice, constituting unprofessional conduct.

ORDERS

The Discipline Tribunal ordered:

- a) Mr. Ducharme's registration with CPA Alberta is cancelled effective immediately;
- b) Mr. Ducharme shall pay fines of \$15,000 for allegation 1, and \$1,000 for allegation 2 payable within 12 months from delivery of a statement of costs, or on terms acceptable to the CIC;
- c) Mr. Ducharme shall pay 50% of the costs of the investigation and 50% of the costs of the hearing with the costs payable within 12 months from delivery of a statement of costs, or on terms acceptable to the CIC;
- d) Mandatory publication on CPA Alberta's website pursuant to section 98 of the CPA Act and Bylaw 1550;
- e) A notice of cancellation shall be placed in the Edmonton Journal, the Leduc Representative and the Sherwood Park News and shall indicate that more information can be obtained at CPA Alberta.

Discipline Tribunal Secretary September 2021