

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION - GORDON BARRITT

Summary of the findings of unprofessional conduct of the discipline tribunal

The discipline hearing of Gordon C. Barritt was held on April 20, 2017. In the written decision of the discipline tribunal dated May 29, 2017, after all of the verbal and written evidence and the submissions placed before it, the tribunal found Gordon Barritt guilty of unprofessional conduct in that he:

- Committed a criminal offence, as evidenced by a criminal conviction based upon a guilty plea to one count of theft over \$5,000 contrary to section 334(a) of the *Criminal Code of Canada* on October 20, 2016;
- 2. In an interview on September 19, 2016, misled the CPA Alberta investigator about the existence of criminal charges that had been laid against him for fraud;
- 3. Failed to cooperate with the conduct process in that he did not reply to CPA Alberta investigator's questions in the investigator's email requests of September 27 and October 5, 12, 18 and 19, 2016.

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

Orders made as a result of the findings

The Tribunal ordered:

- 1. The cancellation of the registration of Gordon Barritt in accordance with s. 95 of the CPA Act;
- 2. The payment of a fine of \$10,000 for each of allegations 1, 2 and 3 in accordance with s. 95 of the CPA Act;
- The payment of 75% of the costs of the investigation, hearing and compliance with the orders, in accordance with s. 96 of the CPA Act and Bylaw 1601 of CPA Alberta, within 30 days of the issuance of the statement of costs; and
- 4. The mandatory publication of this decision pursuant to s. 98 of the CPA Act and Bylaws 1550 to 1557 of CPA Alberta and publication of a summary of the decision of unprofessional conduct in the Calgary Herald, the Edmonton Journal and the Globe and Mail in accordance with ss. 95(1)(n) of the CPA Act;

Discipline Tribunal Secretary May 2017