

Type of Order: DISCIPLINARY CONSENT ORDER

Date of Order: 25 February 2020

Committee name: REGULATION AND CONDUCT COMMITTEE

Details of IP: **Kenneth Pattullo** of **Begbies Traynor**, an IPA member and Licensed Insolvency Practitioner (IP).

Summary of complaint: This Order is made in relation to a complaint that Mr Pattullo breached the fundamental principle of professional behaviour of the Insolvency Ethics Code by failing to respond to requests for information from solicitors acting for the Accountant in Bankruptcy and/or attend a hearing which had to be adjourned when it should have been unnecessary to do so.

Accordingly, Mr Pattullo was found liable to disciplinary action under the IPA's Articles of Association.

Summary of sanctions: The Committee determined that the conduct was 'serious' with reference to the Common Sanctions Guidance, which provides for a reprimand and a fine of £1,500, as a starting point, where there is a failure to respond to letters, telephone calls or emails.

The Regulation and Conduct Committee imposed a disciplinary order that Mr Pattullo be reprimanded, fined £1,500 and contribute £800 towards costs.