Yu Chun Lee Amena ("Respondent"), a solicitor

• Conduct unbefitting a solicitor

Hearing date:

17 July 2017

Findings and Order handed down:

15 September 2017

On 17 July 2017, the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal (the "Tribunal") found the following Complaint against the Respondent proved on her own admission :

The Complaint

The Respondent engaged in conduct unbefitting a solicitor, thereby compromising her integrity, her own reputation and the reputation of the profession, contrary to common law.

On 16 January 2014, the Respondent stole cash in the amount of HK\$900, the property of a person, which was left at an automatic teller machine of a bank after it had been withdrawn.

On 14 April 2015, the Respondent was convicted on her own plea of one count of theft, contrary to s. 9 of the Theft Ordinance (Cap. 210) at the Eastern Magistrates' Courts and was ordered to make restitution via the Magistracy and pay a fine of HK\$2,000.

When the Respondent committed the offence, she was a solicitor and an officer of the Court within the meaning of the Legal Practitioners Ordinance (Cap. 159).

The Tribunal ordered that:

(1) the Respondent be censured;

(2) the Respondent be suspended from practice for a period of one and a half years from the filing by the Clerk to the Tribunal of the Order with the Registrar of High Court; and

(3) the costs of and incidental to the proceedings, including the costs of the Applicant in investigating into the matter and in prosecuting the Complaint and the costs of the Clerk to the Tribunal, be borne and paid by the Respondent, such costs to be taxed, if not agreed, on the party-to-party basis.

Mr. Lau Chiu Kit Paulus, In-House Prosecutor of the Applicant, The Law Society of Hong Kong.

The Respondent was absent.

Mr. Iu Ting Kwok, Clerk to the Tribunal

Tribunal Members:

Ms. Hung Yuk Kwan Milly (Chairlady)

Mr. Chan Wah Tip Michael

Ms. Cheung Kam Hung Rainbow