
FINAL NOTICE

To: **Malcolm Thomas Shapcott trading as Independent Solutions**

Of: **8 South Street
Eastbourne
East Sussex
BN21 4XF**

**FSA Reference
Number:** **452590**

Dated: **2 March 2012**

1. ACTION

- 1.1 For the reasons set out in this Final Notice, the Financial Services Authority of 25 The North Colonnade, Canary Wharf, London E14 5HS (the "FSA") hereby takes the following action against Malcolm Thomas Shapcott trading as Independent Solutions ("Mr Shapcott").
- 1.2 The FSA gave Mr Shapcott a Decision Notice on 1 February 2012 (the "Decision Notice"), which notified him that, for the reasons given below and pursuant to section 45 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the "Act"), the FSA had decided to cancel the permission granted to Mr Shapcott under Part IV of the Act ("Mr Shapcott's Part IV permission").
- 1.3 Mr Shapcott has not referred the matter to the Upper Tribunal (Tax and Chancery Division) within 28 days of the date on which the Decision Notice was given to Mr Shapcott. Accordingly, the FSA has today cancelled Mr Shapcott's Part IV permission.

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2. REASONS FOR ACTION

- 2.1 On the basis of the facts and matters and conclusions described in the Warning Notice issued to Mr Shapcott dated 21 December 2011, and in the Decision Notice, it appears to the FSA that Mr Shapcott is failing to satisfy the threshold conditions set out in Schedule 6 to the Act (the "Threshold Conditions").
- 2.2 This is because Mr Shapcott has failed to pay fees and levies of £1,317.88 owed to the FSA, despite repeated FSA requests that he do so.
- 2.3 This failing, which is significant in the context of Mr Shapcott's suitability, leads the FSA to conclude that Mr Shapcott is not conducting his business soundly and prudently and in compliance with proper standards and that he is not a fit and proper person, and that Mr Shapcott is therefore failing to satisfy the Threshold Conditions in relation to the regulated activities for which he has had Part IV permission.

3. DECISION MAKER

- 3.1 The decision which gave rise to the obligation to give this Final Notice was made by the Regulatory Decisions Committee.

4. IMPORTANT

- 4.1 This Final Notice is given to Mr Shapcott in accordance with section 390(1) of the Act.

Publicity

- 4.2 Sections 391(4), 391(6) and 391(7) of the Act apply to the publication of information about the matter to which this Final Notice relates. Under those provisions, the FSA must publish such information about the matter to which this Final Notice relates as the FSA considers appropriate. The information may be published in such manner as the FSA considers appropriate. However, the FSA may not publish information if such publication would, in the opinion of the FSA, be unfair to Mr Shapcott or prejudicial to the interests of consumers.
- 4.3 The FSA intends to publish this Final Notice and such information about the matter to which this Final Notice relates as it considers appropriate.

FSA Contact

- 4.4 For more information concerning this matter generally, please contact Anu Upadhya at the FSA (direct line: 020 7066 9536/ fax: 020 7066 9537).

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