



## PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

### **Inquiry into Ethics and Professional Accountability: Structural Challenges in the Audit, Assurance and Consultancy Industry**

#### **Public hearing on 29 February 2024, Canberra**

On 22 June 2023, the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services (the committee) resolved to commence an inquiry into Ethics and Professional Accountability: Structural Challenges in the Audit, Assurance and Consultancy Industry. Further information, including terms of reference and evidence received to date, can be found here: [https://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Joint/Corporations\\_and\\_Financial\\_Services/ConsultancyFirms](https://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Joint/Corporations_and_Financial_Services/ConsultancyFirms).

On Thursday 29 February and Friday 1 March 2024, the committee will continue its public hearings for this inquiry at Australian Parliament House, Canberra.

On Thursday, from 8.00 am to 8.55am AEDT in Committee Room 2S1, the committee will hear evidence from the Tax Practitioners Board (TPB) and Inspector General of Taxation and Taxation Ombudsman.

On Friday, from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm AEDT in the Main Committee Room, the committee will hear from:

- the Professional Standards Council;
- the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC);
- the Accounting Professional and Ethics Standards Board (APESB) (Submission 20);
- CPA Australia (Submission 38); and
- the Public Interest Oversight Board (PIOB) (Submission 35).

The hearing programs are available on the committee's webpage:

[https://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Joint/Corporations\\_and\\_Financial\\_Services/ConsultancyFirms/Public\\_Hearings](https://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Joint/Corporations_and_Financial_Services/ConsultancyFirms/Public_Hearings).

The hearing will be open to the public and streamed live via the Australian Parliament House website:

[https://www.aph.gov.au/News\\_and\\_Events/Watch\\_Read\\_Listen](https://www.aph.gov.au/News_and_Events/Watch_Read_Listen).

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