

**BEFORE THE FITNESS TO PRACTISE COMMITTEE  
OF THE GENERAL OPTICAL COUNCIL**

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**F(25)27**

**AND**

**NASIR BUTT (01-22319)**

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**NOTICE OF INQUIRY  
SUBSTANTIVE HEARING**

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Take notice that an inquiry will be conducted in the above matter by the Fitness to Practise Committee of the General Optical Council.

A substantive hearing will be proceeding:

**Remotely**

The substantive hearing will commence at 9:30am on **Monday 13 April – Monday 20 April 2026** by way of video conference or telephone conference facilities.

The Inquiry will be based upon the allegation submitted by the Council (see below) and will determine whether the fitness to practise of **Nasir Butt** is impaired by virtue of the provisions contained in section 13D(2) of the Opticians Act 1989.

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Euan Napier  
Hearings Manager, General Optical Council

**16 December 2025**

## ALLEGATION

The Council alleges that you Mr Nasir Butt (01-22319), a registered Optometrist:

1) On 5 January 2024, you performed a sight test on Patient A and you:

a) On 5 January 2024, you performed a sight test on Patient A and you: (i)

*Did not perform a slit lamp examination of the anterior eyes; (ii)*

*Did not perform an ophthalmoscopic examination of the peripheral and/or nasal fundi;*

b) Failed to accurately ascertain Patient A's history and symptoms, namely you:

*(i) Did not ask Patient A about her general health;*

*(ii) Did not establish issues relating to the quality control of Patient A's hypertension;*

c) Failed to identify vascular changes to Patient A's right eye and/or left eye;

d) Failed to refer Patient A back to her GP, despite this being clinically indicated;

e) Communicated to Patient A that "the blood vessels look nice and healthy on both sides", despite there being clinical evidence to suggest hypertensive retinopathy;

f) Failed to record details of those involved in Patient A's optical consultation;

g) Recorded in Patient A's clinical record that she was not experiencing the following symptoms even though you had not ascertained this information from Patient A:

*(i) Absence of diplopia; and/or*

*(ii) Floaters; and/or*

*(iii) Flashes of light; and or*

*(iv) Any other problems*

h) Recorded in Patient A's clinical record that you performed the following tests, despite the fact that you had not, namely:

*(i) Cover test at distance; and/or*

*(ii) Testing of ocular motility; and/or*

*(iii) Pupil reactions*

- i) *Recorded in Patient A's clinical record that you performed an examination of the internal and/or external eyes, despite the fact you had not, namely:*
- (i) Examined the anterior eyes; and/or*
  - (ii) Ocular adnexa; and/or*
  - (iii) Peripheral retinas*
- 2) *Your conduct at g)(i) and/or (ii) and/or (iii) and/or (iv) and/or h)(i) and/or (ii) and/or (iii) and/or i)(i) and/or (ii) and/or (iii) was:*
- a) Inappropriate; and/or*
  - b) Dishonest, in that Patient A's clinical record does not reflect a genuine representation of the examination that took place*

*And by virtue of the facts set out above, your fitness to practise is impaired by reason of misconduct.*

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**Committee Members:** Sara Nathan (Chair)  
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