

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

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**F(22)41**

**AND**

**GOBIND DUBB (01-31113)**

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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 take commence at 9:30am on **Monday 5 June – Friday 23 June 2023** 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 **Gobind Dubb** is impaired by virtue of the provisions contained in section 13D(2) of the Opticians Act 1989.

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Vineeta Desai  
Head of Hearings, General Optical Council

**15 May 2023**

## ALLEGATION

*The Council alleges that in relation to you, Mr Gobind Dubb (01-31113), a registered optometrist, whilst employed as an optometrist at Specsavers [redacted] branch:*

1. In or around October 2020, you failed to keep your Socrates user code and/or log in details confidential in that you shared them with the Store Manager, Mr A.
2. Between October 2020 and March 2021, on one or more occasions you allowed your Socrates user code to be used and/or were aware that your Socrates user code was used inappropriately by Mr A, an unqualified member of staff, to authorise dispenses to patients under the age of 16.
3. Between October 2020 and April 2021, on one or more occasions you allowed your Socrates user code to be used and/or were aware that your Socrates user code was used inappropriately by Mr A, an unqualified member of staff, to authorise collections by patients under the age of 16.
4. On 25 March 2021, you spoke in an aggressive and unprofessional manner to your colleague and manager, Ms C.
5. Between 31 March and 8 April 2021, you colluded with Mr A in an attempt to remove two sets of spectacles from the Specsavers [redacted] branch without them being paid for.
6. You failed to ensure that you were wearing all of the required Personal Protective Equipment at all times whilst in the Specsavers [redacted] branch on 26 March 2021.

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

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**Committee Members:** Mr Graham White (Lay)  
Mr Ben Summerskill (Lay)  
Ms Alice Robertson-Rickard (Lay)  
Mr Amit Jinabhai (Optometrist)  
Ms Sanna Nasrullah (Optometrist)

**Legal Adviser:** Mr Mike Bell

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