

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

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F(23)32

AND

REBECA SELVAKUMAR (01-33703)

**NOTICE OF INQUIRY
SUBSTANTIVE HEARING**

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 11 December - Thursday 14 December 2023 and Monday 18 December - Tuesday 19 December 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 **Rebeca Selvakumar** is impaired by virtue of the provisions contained in section 13D(2) of the Opticians Act 1989.

Louise Hall
Operations Manager (Hearings), General Optical Council

8 November 2023

ALLEGATION

The Council alleges that you, Rebecca Selvakumar (01-33703), a registered optometrist, whilst working at Boots Opticians, [redacted]:

1. Between 4 August 2020 and 23 August 2020, on the seven occasions in Schedule A, you manually added points to your personal Boots advantage card knowing that you were not permitted to add these points.
2. Your conduct at 1), above, was:
 - a. Financially motivated as the points were equivalent to approximately £78 which could be spent in Boots stores;
 - b. Dishonest in that you knew you were not entitled to these points.

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

Committee Members: Julia Wortley (Chair)
Ann McKechin (Lay)
Miriam Karp (Lay)
Sanna Nasrullah (Optometrist)
Ewen MacMillan (Optometrist)

Legal Adviser: Kelly Thomas

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If you require further information relating to this hearing, please contact the Council's Hearings Manager at hearings@optical.org.