

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

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**F(24)35**

**AND**

**MARK MORGAN (01-19963)**

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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:

**Physical hearing**

The substantive hearing will take place at **9:30am** on **Monday 3 February – Tuesday 18 February 2025** at the **General Optical Council, 10 Old Bailey, London, EC4M 7NG**.

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

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Vineeta Desai  
Hearings Manager, General Optical Council

## ALLEGATION

*The Council alleges in relation to you, Mr Mark Morgan (01-19963), a registered Optometrist, that:*

- 1. Between March 2022 and May 2023, you did not conduct Optical Coherence Tomography (OCT) scans and/or record that OCT scans had been conducted in respect of the patients in Schedule A.*
- 2. Between March 2022 and May 2023, you did not record visual symptoms of reduced acuity in respect of the patients in Schedule B.*
- 3. On 21 July 2023, in respect of Patient B1, you did not record:*
  - i. Examination of the anterior of the eyes;*
  - ii. Examination of the posterior of the eyes;*
  - iii. Examination of the oculomotor status;*
  - iv. Ocular surface characteristics;*
- 4. On 7 August 2023, in respect of Patient C1, you did not:*
  - i. record that a sight test and/or a minor eye conditions appointment had been recommended to the patient; and/or*
- 5. On 18 January 2022, in respect of Patient D1, you did not assess the anterior chamber depth and/or record an assessment of the anterior chamber depth.*
- 6. On 23 November 2023, in respect of Patient E1, you did not record:*
  - i. An assessment of symptoms;*
  - ii. An assessment of tear break-up time; and/or*
  - iii. An action plan regarding the patient's symptoms.*
- 7. On 13 June 2022, in respect of Patient F1, you did not record:*
  - i. Reason for visit;*
  - ii. General health;*
  - iii. Ocular history;*
  - iv. Family ocular history; and/or*
  - v. Oculomotor status.*
- 8. On 13 December 2021, in respect of Patient G1, you did not conduct an assessment of intra-ocular pressure and/or you did not record an assessment of intra-ocular pressure.*

9. *On 21 August 2023, in respect of Patient H1, you did not conduct an assessment and/or you did not record an assessment of:*
  - i. *Intra-ocular pressure; and/or*
  - ii. *Oculomotor status at distance or near.*
10. *On 21 August 2023, in respect of Patient H1, you did not action a referral for cataract extraction.*
11. *On 17 May 2022, in respect of Patient K, you did not conduct an assessment and/or you did not record an assessment of:*
  - i. *OCT; and/or*
  - ii. *Dilated fundus.*
12. *On 21 July 2023, in respect of Patient N, you did not detect and/or record findings of:*
  - i. *Macular degeneration with drusen; and/or*
  - ii. *Early cataracts.*
13. *On 21 July 2023, in respect of Patient N, you did not advise the patient and/or did not record advice given to the patient about signs of:*
  - i. *macular degeneration with drusen; and/or*
  - ii. *early cataracts.*
14. *On 21 July 2023, in respect of Patient N, you did not advise the patient and/or did not record advice given to the patient about OCT assessments and/or safety netting advice.*
15. *Between November 2021 and June 2023, you did not refer the patients in Schedule C back to an Ophthalmologist and/or you did not record that the patients in Schedule C had been referred back to an Ophthalmologist.*
16. *On 31 July 2023, in respect of Patient W, you did not conduct an assessment and/or record an assessment of:*
  - i. *External ocular examination;*
  - ii. *Internal ocular examination;*
  - iii. *Oculomotor status;*
  - iv. *Fundus findings;*
  - v. *OCT;*
  - vi. *Symptoms of wet and/or dry macular degeneration; and/or*

vii. *Pinhole acuity.*

17. *On 26 June 2023, in respect of Patient Z, you did not conduct an assessment and/or record an assessment of:*

- i. Cup to disc ratios;*
- ii. OCT; and*
- iii. Anterior chamber depth.*

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

| <b><i>Schedule A</i></b> | <b><i>Schedule B</i></b> | <b><i>Schedule C</i></b> |
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| <i>Patient K</i>         | <i>Patient D</i>         | <i>Patient O</i>         |
| <i>Patient N</i>         | <i>Patient G1</i>        | <i>Patient O1</i>        |
| <i>Patient O1</i>        | <i>Patient L1</i>        | <i>Patient P1</i>        |
| <i>Patient P1</i>        | <i>Patient M1</i>        |                          |
|                          | <i>Patient T</i>         |                          |
|                          | <i>Patient W</i>         |                          |
|                          | <i>Patient Z</i>         |                          |

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Vivienne Geary (Lay)  
Kalpana Theophilus (Optometrist)  
Ewen MacMillan (Optometrist)

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