The Fit and Proper test for Approved Persons

Chapter 2

Main assessment criteria



2.2 **Competence and capability**

- 2.2.1 In determining a person's competence and capability, the FCA, in accordance with ■ FIT 1.1.2G, will have regard to all relevant matters including but not limited to:
 - (1) whether the person satisfies the relevant FCA training and competence requirements in relation to the controlled function the person performs or is intended to perform;
 - (2) whether the person has demonstrated by experience and training that they are suitable, or will be suitable if approved, to perform the controlled function;
 - (3) whether the *person* has adequate time to perform the *controlled* function and meet the responsibilities associated with that function.
- 2.2.1A In determining a person's competence and capability to perform an FCA designated senior management function or an FCA certification function, a firm, in accordance with ■ FIT 1.1.2G, should have regard to all relevant matters including but not limited to:
 - (1) whether the *person* satisfies any applicable training and competence requirements (in relation to the function that the person performs or is intended to perform);
 - (2) whether the person has demonstrated by experience and training that they are suitable to perform the function they are intended to perform;
 - (3) whether the *person* has adequate time to perform the function in guestion and meet the responsibilities associated with that function.
- 2.2.2 A person may have been convicted of, or dismissed or suspended from employment for, drug or alcohol abuses or other abusive acts. This will be considered by the FCA only in relation to a person's continuing ability to perform the particular controlled function for which the person is or is to be employed.
- 2.2.2A The FCA would expect a firm determining the competence and capability of staff being assessed under FIT to consider convictions, dismissals and

suspensions from employment for drug or alcohol abuses or other abusive acts only in relation to a *person's* continuing ability to perform the particular *FCA designated senior management function* or an *FCA certification function* for which the *person* is, or is to be, employed.