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Ex-bank manager charged by ICAC jailed for bribing colleague for referring mortgage loan clients to financial intermediary

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A former bank manager, charged by the ICAC, was today (May 5) sentenced to four weeks' imprisonment at the Kwun Tong Magistrates' Courts for bribing a colleague for referring residential mortgage loan clients of a subsidiary of the bank to a financial intermediary for arranging mortgage refinancing from other banks or financial institutions.

Amy Chow Bik-sum, 47, former assistant customer service manager of OCBC Wing Hang Bank Limited (OCBC Wing Hang Bank), earlier pleaded guilty to one count of offering an advantage to an agent, contrary to Section 9(2) of the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance.

At the material time, the defendant was posted to a branch of OCBC Wing Hang Bank in Tsim Sha Tsui. She was required to handle residential mortgage applications. OCBC Wing Hang Credit Limited (OCBC Credit) is a subsidiary of OCBC Wing Hang Bank.

The court heard that on July 15, 2021, the defendant requested a colleague to refer residential mortgage loan clients of OCBC Credit to a financial intermediary for arranging mortgage refinancing from other banks or financial institutions so that the financial intermediary could earn the relevant referral fees. The defendant promised to offer 70 per cent of the referral fees to the colleague as commissions.

OCBC Wing Hang Bank did not allow its employees to offer, solicit or accept advantages its relation to its business. The defendant's colleague did not accept the offer.

OCBC Wing Hang Bank had rendered full assistance to the ICAC during its investigation into the case.

The prosecution was today represented by prosecuting counsel Marc Andrew Corlett, assisted by ICAC officer Pan Pan.

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新聞公佈

前銀行經理行賄同事轉介按揭客戶予財務中介被廉署起訴判囚四週

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一名被廉政公署落案起訴的銀行經理，因賄賂同事將銀行附屬公司的住宅按揭客戶轉介予一名財務中介，向其他銀行或財務機構申請轉按物業，今日(5月5日)在觀塘裁判法院被判入獄四星期。

周碧心，47歲，華僑永亨銀行有限公司(華僑永亨銀行)前助理客戶服務經理，早前承認一項向代理人提供利益罪名，違反《防止賄賂條例》第9(2)(a)條。

被告案發時在華僑永亨銀行尖沙咀分行任職，需處理住宅按揭貸款申請。華僑永亨信用財務有限公司(華僑永亨財務)是華僑永亨銀行的附屬公司，從事借貸業務。

案情透露，被告於2021年7月15日，要求一名同事把華僑永亨財務的住宅按揭客戶轉介予一名財務中介，以安排向其他銀行或財務機構申請轉按物業，從而令財務中介賺取轉介費。被告並向該同事承諾提供佣金，計法為轉介費的七成。

華僑永亨銀行不容許僱員就其業務提供、索取或接受利益。被告的同事並沒有接受其提議。

華僑永亨銀行在廉署調查案件期間提供全面協助。

控方今日由大律師Marc Andrew Corlett代表出庭，並由廉署人員彭偉發協助。

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