

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMICS

REVIEW OF THE FOUR MAJOR BANKS (SECOND REPORT)

Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited

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Mr Tambyraja

Ms George: Mr Tambyraja was a financial planner of ours, as I am sure you are aware from the media release. He was breach reported to ASIC for forging some signatures and documents.

Mr THISTLETHWAITE: He forged signatures of ANZ customers on documents?

Ms George: I am not aware of it in much more detail but that is what I understand was the reason.

Mr THISTLETHWAITE: The media release said: writing clients' names and initials on documents in the places designated for their signatures and initials; changing the dates recorded on a number of documents; and creating false investor profile forms for two clients by photocopying forms they had signed in previous years ...

They are pretty serious allegations.

Mr Elliott: Yes.

Mr THISTLETHWAITE: How many customers did this affect?

Ms George: In terms of Mr Tambyraja, I am sorry but I do not have those numbers right here. I can get them for you at a later date.

Answer:

Ten individuals were impacted by this fraud. It covered document tampering, signature inconsistencies and photocopying forms historically signed by clients.

ANZ is in the process of reviewing all of Mr Tambyrajah's client files to ensure no other clients have been impacted.