

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Cyprus Securities and Exchange Commission (the 'CySEC') wishes to inform the public in relation to the issuance of a decision on 19.5.2025, by the Supreme Constitutional Court (Second Instance), on the Appeal No. 139/20, Provident Fund of the Employees of the Cyprus Popular Bank Public Co Ltd and its Subsidiaries v. Cyprus Securities and Exchange Commission.

The Provident Fund of the Employees of the Cyprus Popular Bank Public Co Ltd and its Subsidiaries (the 'Applicants'), through the **Application No. 1090/2014**, had contested the decision of CySEC dated 28.4.2014, to impose to them **a total administrative fine of €50.000** for violation of section 19, as specified in section 21(1)(c), of The Insider Dealing and Market Manipulation (Market Abuse) Law (L.116(I)/2005) (See <u>CySEC's announcement</u> dated 8.9.2020)

The Administrative Court (First Instance), by decision dated 23.7.2020, <u>upheld</u> the decision of CySEC for the imposition of an administrative fine to the Applicants (a copy of the Administrative Court's decision is available <u>here</u>), against which, the Applicants, had filed an Appeal.

The Supreme Constitutional Court (Second Instance), with decision dated 19.5.2025, **dismissed** Applicants' Appeal and **upheld** the decision of the Administrative Court dated 23.7.2020.

A copy of the decision of the Supreme Constitutional Court (Second Instance) dated 19.5.2025 can be found here.

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