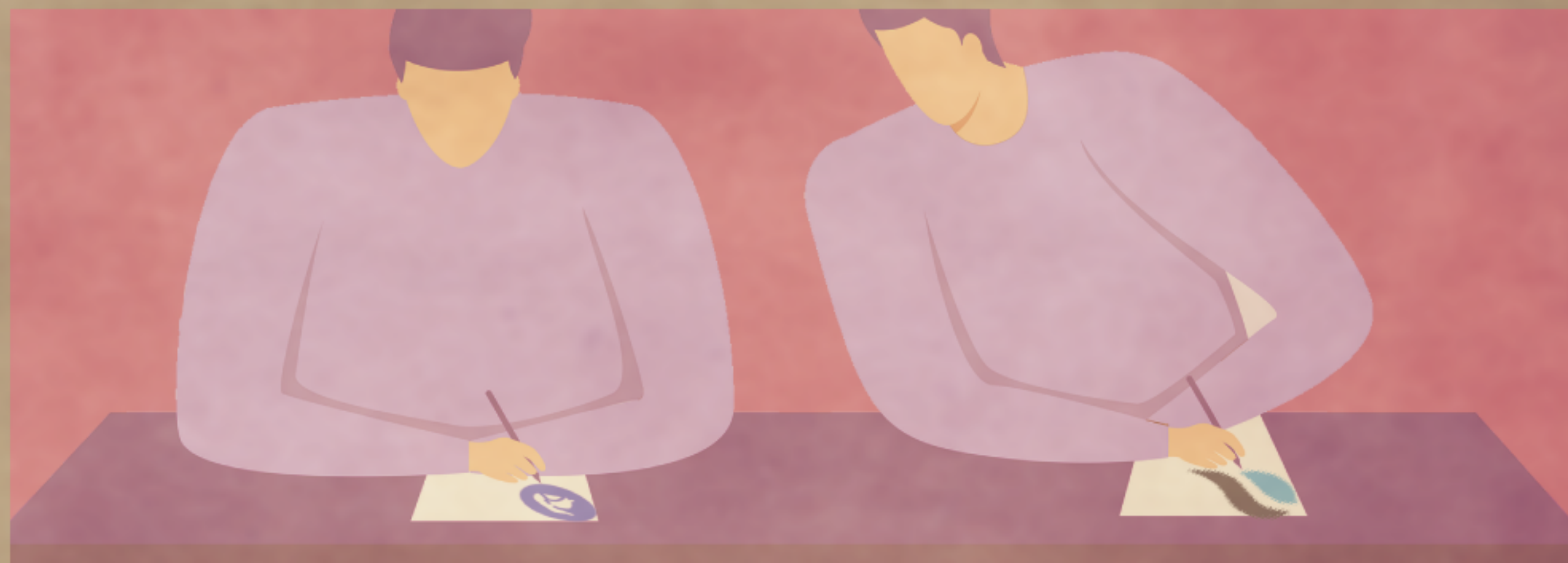


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# RULES OF LAW



According to the Oxford Dictionary, one common definition of 'rule' is "one of a set of explicit or understood regulations or principles governing conduct within a particular activity or sphere". Of course, we all interpret the same rule differently, and therefore, the principles that give rise to these rules — the social norms and customs upon which our frameworks are created, are what's important, right?

Take insider trading for example. Insider trading is generally outlawed. It's against the rules because it means that someone with unequal access to information is profiting. And because investing is largely a zero-sum game, meaning for every seller there is a buyer and vice versa, regulators have long determined that profiting off of special knowledge is verboten.

In the cryptoverse, a recent example of alleged insider trading happened at Huobi, the

sixth-largest exchange by volume. This week, Hong Kong brought charges against a former Huobi manager for insider trading. Chen Boliang is accused of opening a 20 million USD line of credit and using information he obtained through his employment at Huobi to net himself 5 million in USDT, the popular stablecoin.

Reports indicate that Boliang fraudulently created a corporate line of credit under his father's account at the exchange — clearly a no-no under any circumstances. But is profiting from insider knowledge really against our customs? Are we to think professional traders of all stripes in all fields don't use insider knowledge at all times, that Wall Street and The City don't use knowledge not available to retail investors? There are rules against insider trading, and then there are the customs that ensure that the social order is maintained. Those are the Rules of Law.



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