

College of Massage Therapists of Ontario

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Discipline Hearing Summary – Christopher Semenuk, RMT (St. Thomas, ON)

December 15, 2017

Decision

On December 15, 2017, the Discipline Committee found that Mr. Semenuk, a Registered Massage Therapist (RMT), committed acts of professional misconduct in that he:

- 1. Failed to pay any money owing to the College; and
- Engaged in conduct or performed an act relevant to the practice of the profession that, having regard to all the circumstances, would reasonably be regarded by members as disgraceful, dishonourable or unprofessional.

Penalty Order and Cost Award Imposed

The Discipline Committee made the following order:

- 1. Mr. Semenuk is required to appear before a panel of the Discipline Committee immediately following the hearing of this matter to be reprimanded, with the fact of the reprimand and the text of the reprimand to appear on the public register of the College;
- 2. The Registrar is directed to impose the following terms, conditions or limitations on Mr. Semenuk's Certificate of Registration:
 - a. Within six (6) months of the date the Discipline Committee's order becomes final, Mr. Semenuk must provide proof, acceptable to the Registrar, of successful completion of the College's Professionalism Workshop, which is to be taken at his own expense;
 - b. Within six (6) months of the date the Discipline Committee's order becomes final, the Registrant must provide proof, acceptable to the Registrar, of successful completion of a written reflective essay in which Mr. Semenuk shall reflect on his role as an RMT, educator in a professional training program for his profession and the need to be an exemplar for professional behaviour and the respect of professional boundaries; and
 - c. Mr. Semenuk is required to pay to the College, by way of post-dated cheques, monthly payments of \$200.00, beginning on the first day of the first month after the Discipline Committee Order becomes final, for a period of twenty-three (23) consecutive months and one final additional payment of \$150.00 (the final payment being due one month after the last payment of \$200.00).

3. Mr. Semenuk is required to pay to the College costs in the amount of \$500.00, payable within thirty (30) days of the date the Discipline Committee Order becomes final.

The complete Decision and Reasons is available online on the Canadian Legal Information Institute (CanLII) <u>website</u>.