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Discipline Hearing Summary

Zaisheng Ling, RMT (Toronto, ON), March 21, 2018

Decision

On March 21, 2018, the Discipline Committee found that Mr. Zaisheng Ling, a Registered Massage Therapist (RMT), committed acts of professional misconduct in that he:

1. sexually abused a client;
2. contravened a Standard of Practice of the profession or a published standard of CMTO, or failed to maintain the Standard of Practice of the profession;
3. abused a client verbally or physically;
4. contravened a federal law relevant to the registrant's suitability to practise;
5. 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 registrants as disgraceful, dishonourable or unprofessional; and
6. engaged in conduct that would reasonably be regarded by registrants as conduct unbecoming of a Massage Therapist.

Penalty Order and Cost Award

The Discipline Committee's order included the following:

1. Mr. Ling was reprimanded by a Panel of the Discipline Committee. The fact of the reprimand and the text of the reprimand is to appear on the public register. (The reprimand can be read below.)
2. The Registrar was directed to revoke Mr. Ling's Certificate of Registration effective immediately.
3. Mr. Ling was required to reimburse the College for funding for therapy and counselling provided to the clients. Mr. Ling was required to post security in the amount of

\$32,120.00 to guarantee payment for this funding.

4. Mr. Ling was required to pay to the College costs in the amount of \$10,000.00 within six (6) months of the date of this order.

The complete Decision and Reasons will be available online on the Canadian Legal Information Institute (CanLII) [website](#).

Reprimand Delivered to Mr. Ling

The following reprimand was delivered by a Panel of the Discipline Committee:

Mr. Ling, your continuous egregious behaviour and disregard for the safety of your clients and the public as a whole is disturbing. The abuse in this case has profoundly impacted the victims in multiple ways. You have continuously breached the trust of your clients and the public at large. The panel is confident that the public is safer in not having you as a regulated health professional.