



## College of Massage Therapists of Ontario

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### Discipline Hearing Summary

#### Suvijek Janthavong, RMT (Etobicoke, ON), April 5, 2018

##### Decision

On April 5, 2018, the Discipline Committee found that Mr. Suvijek Janthavong, a Registered Massage Therapist (RMT), committed acts of professional misconduct in that he:

1. signed or issued, in his professional capacity, a document that he knew contained a false or misleading statement;
2. 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.

##### Penalty and Cost Award

The Discipline Committee's order included the following:

1. Mr. Janthavong was required to appear before a Panel of the Discipline Committee immediately following the hearing to be reprimanded. 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 suspend Mr. Janthavong's Certificate of Registration for a period of 10 weeks.
3. The Registrar was directed to impose the following terms, conditions or limitations on Mr. Janthavong's Certificate of Registration:
  - a. Within three (3) months of the date of the Discipline Hearing, Mr. Janthavong 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; and
  - b. Within three (3) months of the date of the Discipline Hearing, Mr. Janthavong must provide proof, acceptable to the Registrar, of successful completion of the College's Standards and Regulations Workshop, which is to be taken at his own expense.

4. Mr. Janthavong was required to pay to the College costs in the amount of \$3,000.00 within three (3) months of April 5, 2018.

**Reprimand Delivered to Mr. Janthavong**

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

This Panel finds that you have learned a significant lesson in this case. We acknowledge and appreciate that you took immediate responsibility for your actions, and have cooperated with the College Investigator. You have demonstrated remorse and insight.

However, the Panel wants to emphasize that by issuing false receipts, you put the public at risk and brought disrepute upon the profession. The Panel expects that once you've completed the course work and served your suspension, you'll return to the practice with a renewed sense of commitment to uphold the Standards of Practice, and to protect the public interest.