

**Discipline Summary**  
**Jasil Puniyanikodan (Scarborough, ON)**  
**January 7, 2021**

**Motion Decision**

On January 7, 2021, the Discipline Committee granted the College's motion to indefinitely adjourn the discipline hearing of Mr. Jasil Puniyanikodan, in relation to a matter in which he was alleged to have engaged in the following acts of professional misconduct:

1. sexual abuse of a client, more specifically, touching of a sexual nature; and/or
2. contravention of a Standard of Practice of the profession or a published standard of the College, or failure to maintain the Standard of Practice of the profession; and/or
3. doing anything to a client for a therapeutic or other health-related purpose in a situation in which consent is required by law, without such a consent; and/or
4. verbal or physical abuse of a client; and/or
5. engaging in conduct or performing 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.

The Discipline Committee granted the College's request after determining that it was not in the public interest to proceed with a hearing in this matter given that Mr. Puniyanikodan is no longer entitled to practise Massage Therapy in Ontario and resides outside of the country. The Discipline Committee was presented with evidence that Mr. Puniyanikodan's Certificate of Registration was revoked on October 21, 2020 as a result of the prosecution of another discipline matter that resulted in a finding of sexual abuse, among other acts of professional misconduct. The College retains the right to proceed with this hearing if Mr. Puniyanikodan returns to Ontario or seeks to practise Massage Therapy in Ontario.

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