

## **Discipline Hearing Summary – Robert Guertin (Ottawa, ON) January 28 and January 29, 2015 (Liability), September 22, 2016 (Penalty)**

### **Decision**

On February 17, 2016 the Discipline Committee found that Mr. Guertin, a Registered Massage Therapist (RMT) at the time, committed acts of professional misconduct as set out in two Notices of Hearing in that he:

1. Contravened a standard of practice of the profession or a published standard of the College, or failed to maintain the standard of practice of the profession;
2. Engaged in conduct or performed an act in the course of practicing the profession, that having regard to all circumstances, would reasonably be regarded by members as disgraceful, dishonourable or unprofessional; and
3. Engaged in conduct that would reasonably be regarded by members as conduct unbecoming a massage therapist.

### **Penalty Order and Cost Award Imposed**

The Discipline Committee made the following order:

1. Mr. Guertin is required to receive a public and recorded reprimand;
2. Mr. Guertin's Certificate of Registration shall be suspended for a period of eight (8) consecutive months, to commence immediately in the event that Mr. Guertin's Certificate of Registration with the College is reinstated;
3. The following terms, conditions and limitations shall be imposed upon Mr. Guertin's Certificate of Registration in the event that Mr. Guertin's Certificate of Registration with the College is reinstated:
  - a. He shall successfully complete a College approved Professionalism Workshop, at his own expense and provide satisfactory evidence of same to the College within eight (8) months of the reinstatement of his Certificate of Registration with the College;
  - b. Within 12 months of his resumption of practice, he shall submit to an inspection of his practice (with the costs of the inspection not to exceed \$250);
4. The decision of the Discipline Committee shall be published in the usual course.
5. Mr. Guertin is required to pay the College costs in the amount of \$4,000.

The complete Decision and Reasons will be available online on the Canadian Legal Information Institute (CanLII) at <https://www.canlii.org/en/on/oncmto/doc/2017/2017oncmto4/2017oncmto4.html>.