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Discipline Hearing Summary – Stephen Swentek (London, ON) April 28, 2017

Decision

On April 28, 2017 the Discipline Committee found that Mr. Swentek, a Registered Massage Therapist (RMT), committed acts of professional misconduct in that he:

1. Was found guilty of an offence relevant to the member's suitability to practice;
2. Sexually abused a patient;
3. Contravened a standard of the profession;
4. Did 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;
5. Abused a client physically;
6. 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; and
7. 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. The Registrar is directed to revoke Mr. Swentek's Certificate of Registration;
2. Mr. Swentek is required to receive a public and recorded reprimand;
3. Mr. Swentek is required to reimburse the College for funding provided to the Client under the program required under section 85.7 of the *Health Professions Procedural Code*, being Schedule 2 to the *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991*.
4. Mr. Swentek is required to post security acceptable to the College in the amount of \$8,000 to guarantee the payment of any amounts he may be required to reimburse the College under the order in paragraph 3.
5. Mr. Swentek is required to pay the College costs in the amount of \$3,000.

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