

College of Massage Therapists of Ontario

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Discipline Hearing Summary

Robert Boghossian, RMT (King City, ON), August 24, 2018

Decision

On August 24, 2018, the Discipline Committee found that Mr. Robert Boghossian, a Registered Massage Therapist (RMT), committed acts of professional misconduct in that he 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.

Penalty and Cost Award

The Discipline Committee's order included the following:

- 1. Mr. Boghossian was required to appear before a panel of the Discipline Committee immediately following the hearing of the matter to be reprimanded, with the fact of the reprimand and the text of the reprimand to appear on the public register of the College.
- 2. The Registrar was directed to suspend immediately Mr. Boghossian's Certificate of Registration for a period of two (2) weeks.
- 3. The Registrar was directed to impose the following terms, conditions or limitations on Mr. Boghossian's Certificate of Registration:
 - a. Within three (3) months of August 24, 2018, Mr. Boghossian 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;
 - b. Within three (3) months of August 24, 2018, Mr. Boghossian must provide proof, acceptable to the Registrar, of successful completion of the College's Standards and Regulations E-Workshop, which is to be taken at his own expense; and
 - c. Within thirty (30) days of August 24, 2018, Mr. Boghossian must complete to the satisfaction of the Registrar, a reflective essay on the Standard of Practice in the area of obtaining proper consent before treating sensitive areas, which will include how Mr. Boghossian's actions affect the client, the public and the profession.

4. Mr. Boghossian was required to pay to the College costs in the amount of \$1,500.00 within three (3) months of August 24, 2018.

The complete decision and reasons from the hearing will be available online on the Canadian Legal Information Institute (CanLII) website.

Reprimand Delivered to Mr. Boghossian:

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

We would like to thank you for your cooperation throughout the investigation and the discipline process. The Panel would like to remind you that the Standards and Position Statement have been put in place to ensure there's not a miscommunication with [clients], and had they been followed, this situation may not have happened.

After you complete the mandatory course work, we believe you will return to practice better equipped to deal with situations involving consent and consent to sensitive areas.