

College of Massage Therapists of Ontario

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Discipline Hearing Summary

Jessica Jones (Windsor, ON)

December 10 and 11, 2020; July 28, 2021

Decision

On March 23, 2021, the Discipline Committee found that Jessica Jones committed acts of professional misconduct in that she:

- 1. was found guilty of offences that are relevant to her suitability to practise, namely theft under \$5,000 and possession of fentanyl;
- 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, in particular the Standard for Maintaining Professional Boundaries and Preventing Sexual Abuse;
- 3. practised Massage Therapy while her ability to do so was impaired by a substance;
- 4. failed to maintain her practice premises in a safe and sanitary manner;
- 5. contravened the *Massage Therapy Act, 1991*, the *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991*, or the regulations under either of those acts, in particular section 85.6.1 of the Health Professions Procedural Code related to filing a report with the Registrar regarding a finding of guilt;
- 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; and
- 7. engaged in conduct that would be regarded by registrants as conduct unbecoming of a Massage Therapist.

The complete Decision and Reasons are available online on the Canadian Legal Information Institute (CanLII) website.

Penalty and Costs Order

On July 28, 2021, the Discipline Committee issued the following order on penalty and costs:

- 1. Ms. Jones must appear before a panel of the Discipline Committee to be reprimanded, at a date and time to be determined by the Registrar, with the fact of the reprimand and the text of the reprimand to appear on the public register of the College.
- 2. The Registrar is directed to revoke Ms. Jones' Certificate of Registration effective immediately.
- 3. Ms. Jones must pay to the College costs in the amount of \$36,483.25 in equal monthly instalments over sixty (60) months from the date of this order.

The complete Penalty Decision and Reasons will be available online on the Canadian Legal Information Institute (CanLII) <u>website</u>.