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Discipline Summary

Stuart Reid (Burlington, ON)

March 7, 2022

Motion Decision

On March 7, 2022, the Discipline Committee granted a request brought by the College and Mr. Reid to indefinitely postpone Mr. Reid's discipline hearing. The hearing related to a matter in which it was alleged that Mr. Reid engaged in the following acts of professional misconduct:

- sexual abuse of a client, more specifically touching of a sexual nature of the client by the registrant and/or behaviour or remarks of a sexual nature by the registrant towards a client; 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, in particular Communication/Public Health Standard 7: Consent and/or the Standard for Maintaining Professional Boundaries and Preventing Sexual Abuse; and/or
- 3. verbal or physical abuse; and/or
- 4. 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 request after it was presented with evidence that Mr. Reid signed an <u>undertaking</u> to resign and never reapply for registration with the College. According to that undertaking, the College retains the right to prosecute Mr. Reid if he breaches any of its terms. Mr. Reid also agreed to reimburse the College for funding for any therapy or counselling provided to the client under the program required in section 85.7 of the Health Professions Procedural Code¹. He also agreed to post \$5,000.00 in security to guarantee payment.

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

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¹ This is Schedule 2 to the *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991.*