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Discipline Summary Gregory Jessup (Havelock, ON) November 15, 2022

Motion Decision

On November 15, 2022, the Discipline Committee granted a request brought by the College and Mr. Jessup to indefinitely adjourn Mr. Jessup's discipline hearing. The hearing related to a matter in which it was alleged that he engaged in the following acts of professional misconduct:

- 1. sexual abuse of a client, more specifically, touching of a sexual nature of a client and/or behaviour or remarks of a sexual nature toward a client;
- 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 the Standard for *Maintaining Professional Boundaries and Preventing Sexual Abuse*;
- 3. verbal and physical abuse of a client; and
- 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. Jessup signed an <u>undertaking</u> to resign and never reapply for registration with the College. According to that undertaking, the College can re-open the prosecution of this matter if Mr. Jessup reapplies for registration with the College or otherwise breaches any other terms of the undertaking. Mr. Jessup also agreed to reimburse the College for any funding provided for therapy and counselling for the client, and to post security of \$5,000.00 to guarantee payment of any reimbursement amounts. The allegations remain unproven.

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