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## Discipline Hearing Summary

**George Raducanu (Toronto, ON)**

**November 7 and 8, 2022 and April 4, 2023**

### Decision

On December 6, 2022, the Discipline Committee found that Mr. Raducanu engaged in the following acts of professional misconduct:

1. sexually abused a client, which involved touching, behaviour and remarks of a sexual nature;
2. 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. physically abused a client; and
4. 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.

There were several instances in which Mr. Raducanu engaged in sexual abuse. These included touching the client's gluteal region, inner thighs, and chest wall without consent, and licking the client's inner thigh. Mr. Raducanu also exposed the client's body during Massage Therapy treatments, once by lifting the draping, and the second time by pulling down the client's clothing and exposing her gluteal cleft. Mr. Raducanu also failed to obtain consent for treatment, including general consent to treat the client and written consent for treatment of sensitive areas, which are both violations of standards of practice.

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

### Penalty Order and Costs Award

On April 4, 2023, the Discipline Committee issued the following order:

1. Mr. Raducanu must appear before a panel of the Discipline Committee immediately following the hearing of this matter to be reprimanded, with the fact of the reprimand and the text of the reprimand to appear on the College's public register.
2. The Registrar is directed to revoke Mr. Raducanu's Certificate of Registration, effective April 4, 2023.
3. Mr. Raducanu must reimburse the College for funding provided to the client [for therapy or counselling] under the program required under section 85.7 of the Health Professions Procedural Code.<sup>1</sup>
4. Mr. Raducanu must post security in the amount of \$16,060 to guarantee payments of any amount he is required to pay under paragraph 3.
5. Mr. Raducanu must pay the College costs in the amount of \$13,900 within 30 days of April 4, 2023.

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

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<sup>1</sup> Schedule 2 of the [Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991](#).