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Discipline Summary Jerrika Rydall (Sudbury, ON) November 20, 2023

Motion Decision

Following a hearing on November 20, 2023, the Discipline Committee granted a request brought by the College and Ms. Rydall to indefinitely adjourn Ms. Rydall's discipline hearing. The hearing related to a matter in which it was alleged that Ms. Rydall engaged in the following acts of misconduct:

- 1. sexual abuse of a client; and/or
- contravening a Standard of Practice of the profession or a published Standard of the College, or failing to maintain the Standard of Practice of the profession, in particular, the Standard for Maintaining Professional Boundaries and Preventing Sexual Abuse; and/or
- 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 Ms. Rydall signed an <u>undertaking</u> to resign and never reapply for registration with the College. According to that agreement, the College can re-open the prosecution of this matter if Ms. Rydall reapplies for registration or otherwise breaches any other term of the agreement. Ms. Rydall also agreed to reimburse the College for any funding provided for therapy and counselling for the client. Based on that undertaking, Ms. Rydall will also pay the College \$5,852 in costs.

The allegations in this matter remain unproven.

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