

## Discipline Summary

### Oliver Long (Kitchener, ON)

### September 13, 2024

#### Decision

On September 13, 2024, the Discipline Committee found that Mr. Long engaged in professional misconduct after he admitted to:

1. being found guilty of an offence that is relevant to his suitability to practise;
2. 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; and
3. engaging in conduct that would reasonably be regarded by members as conduct unbecoming a Massage Therapist.

The Discipline Committee's findings relate to Mr. Long's conduct toward two osteopathy clients. In 2021, Mr. Long was convicted of several sexual offences in relation to these clients, and the Committee found that these offences were relevant to Mr. Long's suitability to practise Massage Therapy.

#### Penalty and Costs Award

The Discipline Committee's order included the following:

1. Mr. Long is required to appear before a panel of the Discipline Committee immediately following the hearing to be reprimanded, 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 immediately revoke Mr. Long's Certificate of Registration; and
3. Mr. Long must pay the College costs of \$5,852, which can be made in 12 monthly instalments, with the first payment beginning on the date of the order in the amount of \$495 and thereafter, in 11 equal monthly instalments of \$487 each.

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

## **Reprimand Delivered to Mr. Long**

The following reprimand was delivered by a panel of the Discipline Committee:

Mr. Long, the panel would like to acknowledge your cooperation with the College in arriving at a joint resolution in this matter, which assisted in the process and lessened the burden of time and resources upon the College. We also appreciate your presence here today.

Having said that, your criminal convictions for sexual assault and sexual interference, acts which occurred in a professional setting, demonstrated conduct unbecoming a Registered Massage Therapist and bear on your suitability to practise this profession. Your actions displayed a serious lack of professional judgment and reflect negatively on the Massage Therapy profession as a whole.