

Discipline Summary
Peter Witz (Toronto, ON)
October 1, 2024

Decision

On October 1, 2024, the Discipline Committee found that Mr. Witz committed the following acts of professional misconduct:

1. sexual abuse of a client;
2. physical abuse of a client;
3. 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 Standards for Client-centred Care, Consent, Prevention of Sexual Abuse, and Professional Boundaries; 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's findings relate to Mr. Witz's conduct toward a Massage Therapy client. In 2023, Mr. Witz was convicted of sexual assault for touching the client's genitals and breasts without consent during a Massage Therapy treatment. The Committee relied on this same conduct to find that Mr. Witz sexually abused the client by touching her in a sexual manner, and by making remarks of a sexual nature to the client during the treatment.

Penalty and Costs Award

The Discipline Committee's order included the following:

1. Mr. Witz is required to appear before a panel of the Discipline Committee to be reprimanded on a date to be set by the Registrar, 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. Witz's Certificate of Registration;

3. Mr. Witz must reimburse the College for funding that has been and that may be provided to the client under the program established under section 85.7 of the Health Professions Procedural Code, up to \$17,370;
4. Mr. Witz must post security acceptable to the College in the amount of \$10,500 to guarantee the payment of any amounts he may be required to reimburse the College under paragraph 3 above. He must do so within 30 days of October 1, 2024;
5. Any amount of security provided by Mr. Witz that has not been used by August 2, 2027 will be returned to him; and
6. Mr. Witz must pay the College costs of \$5,852 within 30 days of October 1, 2024.

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