

**DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE OF
THE COLLEGE OF NATUROPATHS OF ONTARIO**

Tara Gignac, ND – Chair	)	
Shelley Burns, ND	)	TUESDAY, THE 7 th
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Samuel Laldin	)	DAY OF APRIL, 2020
Dianne Delany	)	

B E T W E E N:

COLLEGE OF NATUROPATHS OF ONTARIO

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ORDER

THIS HEARING was held electronically in Toronto, Ontario.

ON READING the Notice of Hearing, the Agreed Statement of Facts and the Joint Submission as to Penalty and Costs, and on hearing the submissions of counsel for the College of Naturopaths of Ontario (“College”) and counsel for the Member:

A. THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE FINDS that the Member committed acts of professional misconduct pursuant to subsection of 30(1) of Ontario Regulation 278, R.R.O. 1990, as defined in Professional Misconduct/Incompetence established by the

Board, as set out in **paragraph 1** (contravention of any provision of the *Drugless Practitioners Act* and its regulations, of the *Food and Drug Act* and its regulations, or any other act regulating the practice of Drugless Therapy-Naturopathy); **paragraph 2(r)** (conducting an act relevant to the practice of naturopathic medicine that, having regard to all the circumstances, would reasonably be regarded by naturopathic doctors as unprofessional or incompetent); and **paragraph 2(w)** (contravening standards of practice or guidelines of practice set by the Board).

B. THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE FINDS that the Member committed acts of professional misconduct pursuant to s. 51(1)(c) of the *Health Professions Procedural Code*, being Schedule 2 to the *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991* as set out in **paragraph 1** (contravening, by act or omission, a standard of practice of the profession or failing to maintain the standard of practice of the profession); **paragraph 8** (providing or attempting to provide services or treatment that the member knows or ought to know to be beyond the member's knowledge, skill or judgment); and **paragraph 46** (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 members as disgraceful, dishonourable or unprofessional) of section 1 of Ontario Regulation 17/14 made under the *Naturopathy Act, 2007* and s. 4(3) of the *Naturopathy Act, 2007*.

C. THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE MAKES AN ORDER:

1. Requiring the Member to appear before the panel to be reprimanded immediately following the hearing of this matter.
2. Directing the Registrar to suspend the Member's certificate of registration for a period of six months, on a schedule to be set by the Registrar, two (2) months of which

shall be remitted if the Member complies with the provisions of paragraph 3(a) through 3(c) no later than September 30, 2020.

3. Directing the Registrar to impose the following specified terms, conditions and limitations on the Member's certificate of registration:

- a. Requiring that the Member unconditionally pass, and at his own expense, a course in ethics, no later than December 31, 2020;
- b. Requiring that the Member successfully complete, to the satisfaction of the Registrar and at his own expense, the College Jurisprudence Course, no later than December 31, 2020;
- c. Requiring that the Member write an essay between 1000-1500 words in length, and provide it to the Registrar, no later than one month from the date of completing the Ethics and Jurisprudence courses, that shall be published by the College at a time and in a format determined by the Registrar, on the following issue:
 - i. The lessons he learned during the investigation and hearing and in completing the ethics and Jurisprudence, courses; and
- d. Prohibiting the Member from performing and/or supervising intravenous therapy.

4. For greater certainty, the Member's obligation to comply with the proposed terms, conditions and limitations on his certificate of registration contained in paragraph 3 is not relieved by serving the entire suspension referred to in paragraph 2 above.

5. Requiring the Member to pay of fine of not more than \$350 to the Minister of Finance within two months of the hearing of this matter.

6. The Member shall pay the College's costs fixed in the amount of \$6,500 payable on a schedule determined by the Registrar.

April 7, 2020

Date: _____

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Tara Gignac', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Tara Gignac, ND, Chair
Discipline Panel

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