

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

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TUESDAY, THE 18th
DAY OF MAY, 2021

B E T W E E N:

COLLEGE OF NATUROPATHS OF ONTARIO

- and -

TARAS RODAK

(DC19-06)

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 Taras Rodak (the “Registrant”):

A. THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE FINDS that the Registrant committed acts of professional misconduct pursuant to section 51(1)(c) of the *Health Professions Procedural Code*, being Schedule 2 to the *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991* (the “Code”) as set out the following paragraphs of section 1 of Ontario Regulation 17/14 made

under the *Naturopathy Act, 2007*: **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, including but not limited to the Fees and Billing Standard of Practice); **Paragraph 18** (Issuing an invoice, bill or receipt that the Registrant knows or ought to know is false or misleading); **Paragraph 24** (Signing or issuing, in his or her professional capacity, a document that the Registrant knows or ought to know contains a false or misleading statement); 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 dishonourable or unprofessional).

B. THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE MAKES AN ORDER:

1. Requiring the Registrant to appear before the panel to be reprimanded immediately following the hearing of this matter.
2. Directing the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to suspend the Registrant's certificate of registration for a period of three (3) months, on a schedule to be set by the CEO, one month of which shall be remitted if the Registrant complies with the provisions of paragraphs 3(a) through 3(c) no later than August 30, 2021.
3. Directing the CEO to impose the following specified terms, conditions and limitations on the Registrant's certificate of registration, to be fulfilled at the Registrant's expense, to the satisfaction of the CEO, prior to October 31, 2021:
 - a. Requiring that the Registrant unconditionally pass, the PROBE ethics course;
 - b. Requirement that the Registrant successfully complete the College's jurisprudence course;
 - c. Requirement that the Registrant successfully complete a naturopathic

medicine records course approved by the CEO;

- d. Requirement that the Registrant complete one meeting that is at least four hours in length with a Regulatory Expert, to be identified by the CEO, to review the issues that arose in this case, and up to two additional meetings of equal duration, the necessity of which will be determined by the Regulatory Expert; and
- e. Requirement that the Registrant write an essay between 1,000 and 1,500 words in length, that is acceptable to the CEO, and provide it to the CEO, no later than one month from the date of the last meeting with the Regulatory Expert, that shall be published by the College at a time and in a format determined by the CEO, outlining what the Registrant learned as a result of his meeting(s) with the Regulatory Expert and his unconditional pass/successful completion of the PROBE ethics, jurisprudence and naturopathic medicine records courses.

4. For greater certainty, the Registrant'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. The Registrant shall pay a fine of \$350 to the Minister of Finance within two months of the hearing of this matter.

6. The Registrant shall pay the College's costs fixed in the amount of \$5,000 payable on a schedule determined by the CEO.

May 18, 2021

Date: _____



Dr. Jordan Sokoloski, ND, Chair
Discipline Panel

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