

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

)
) MONDAY, THE 28th
)
) DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2020
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B E T W E E N:

COLLEGE OF NATUROPATHS OF ONTARIO

- and -

HELEN COHEN

**ORDER
(DC19-04)**

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 the Registrant¹:

A. THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE FINDS that the Registrant committed acts of professional misconduct pursuant to subsection 51(1)(c) of the *Health Professions Procedural Code*, being Schedule 2 to the *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991*, and

¹ The Council of the College of Naturopaths of Ontario has directed that the College refer to individuals registered with the College as “Registrants”. “Registrant”, as it is used in this Order has the same meaning as “member” as defined in section 1(1) of the *Health Professions Procedural Code* (the Code).

as set out in the following paragraphs of section 1 of Ontario Regulation 17/14 made under the *Naturopathy Act, 2007*: **Paragraph 41** (Failing to comply with an order of a panel of the College); 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)² to suspend the Registrant's certificate of registration for a period of at least four (4) months, to commence on the date of the hearing of this matter and continuing for four (4) months or until the Registrant completes the requirements as set out in the Order made by the Inquiries, Complaints and Reports Committee on September 7, 2017, whichever is longer.
3. Directing the CEO to impose the following specified terms, conditions and limitations on the Registrant's certificate of registration:
 - a. Requiring that the Registrant unconditionally pass the PROBE ethics course, which is to be taken at her own expense, by a date selected by the CEO;
 - b. Requiring that the Registrant successfully complete, to the satisfaction of the CEO and at her own expense, the College's Jurisprudence by a date selected by the CEO; and
 - c. Requiring that the Registrant write an essay between 1000 and 1500 words in

² The Chief Executive Officer has been appointed by the Council to oversee operations and perform the duties of the Registrar as set out in and defined in section 1(1) of the Code.

length, and provide it to the CEO, no later than a date selected by the CEO; that shall be published by the College at a time and in a format determined by the CEO, on the lessons she learned in completing the PROBE course and jurisprudence course.

4. Requiring the Registrant to pay of fine of not more than \$350 to the Minister of Finance within two (2) months of the hearing of this matter.

5. The Registrant shall pay the College's costs fixed in the amount of \$3,500 payable on a schedule determined by the CEO.

September 28, 2020

Date: _____



Dr. Danielle O'Connor, ND
Chair, Discipline Panel

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