Decision 4

Dr. Jordan Lottman RESIGNED - NO PRACTICE ADDRESS

ALLEGATIONS OF PROFESSIONAL MISCONDUCT

- Contravened a standard of practice or failed to maintain the standards of practice of the profession (para. 1).
- Provided treatment that he knew or ought to have known was beyond his expertise or competence (para. 5).
- Disgraceful, dishonourable, unprofessional, unethical conduct (para. 59).

BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF FACTS

- A patient complained about a root canal performed by Dr. Lottman. The College's investigations showed that the root canal the member performed on this patient in 2008 had been incomplete. A fragment had been left which caused an infection and the member's attempted retreatment of the tooth in 2010 resulted in perforation of the tooth allowing gutta percha to enter the bone.
- Since the time that the initial treatment and the attempted corrective treatment were rendered, Dr. Lottman had been found guilty of professional misconduct in 2011 in respect of another matter related to the provision of endodontic treatment.

- As a result of the 2011 discipline matter, among other things, Dr. Lottman was restricted from performing any endodontic treatment in his dental practice until he had been assessed for competency and completed any remedial courses recommended by the assessors, followed by practice monitoring. The assessment was completed in December 2011.
- Dr. Lottman resigned as a member of the College on November 1, 2013.

DECISION

Finding

The member admitted to acts of professional misconduct in an Agreed Statement of Facts and was found guilty with respect to the above allegations.

Penalty

- Reprimand, to occur if/when member is reinstated to membership with the College.
- Monitoring of practice for 48 months, should member be reinstated to membership with the College.

Costs/Publication

- Costs awarded to the College in the amount of \$1,000.
- Member to pay monitoring costs.
- Pursuant to the legislation, publication of this matter includes the member's name and address.

Panel's Reasoning

- The penalty was a joint submission.
- The panel was of the view that had the complaint been made earlier, it would have, in all likelihood, been included in the discipline hearing that was held in 2011, and that the penalty imposed at that time likely would not have been significantly different than the one imposed.
- As Dr. Lottman is no longer a member of the College, the current penalty will only take effect if and when he is reinstated as a member.
- The panel believes that the current penalty, in addition to the penalty orders made in 2011, meets the objectives of protecting the public, serves as specific and general deterrents, rehabilitates the member and maintains public confidence in the profession.