Megan Lichtenstein, Former RMT

Location: Surrey, BC

Date of Action: May 19, 2023

Nature of Action: The former registrant, Megan Lichtenstein, consented to a public reprimand under the terms of an undertaking and consent agreement that she entered with the Inquiry Committee of the College. As part of the agreement, the former registrant also agreed to undertakings not to repeat the conduct, to pay a fine and a portion of the costs of the investigation, and to complete remedial coursework should she apply for reinstatement of registration.

Reasons: The undertaking and consent agreement relates to an investigation initiated by the Inquiry Committee on its own motion.

As part of the undertaking and consent agreement, Ms. Lichtenstein admitted that when she applied for reinstatement of registration on November 27, 2019, she submitted an application form on which she responded "Disagree" to the declaration statement "I have been charged with or convicted of a criminal offence under the *Criminal Code* or the *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act*"; Ms. Lichtenstein thereby made a false declaration, as she failed to disclose charges under the *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act* and the *Criminal Code* which she faced in 2018 and earlier in 2019.

On the same form, Ms. Lichtenstein also responded "Agree" to the declaration statement "The information provided in this application is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge", thereby making an additional false declaration.

Ms. Lichtenstein reported that, by making the two false declarations in her application for reinstatement of registration with the College, she committed unprofessional conduct.

The Inquiry Committee considered Ms. Lichtenstein's admitted conduct to be serious. A failure by a registrant to accurately report required information to

the College impedes the College's statutory obligation to regulate the massage therapy profession in the public interest and to meet legislated informationsharing requirements.

The Inquiry Committee is satisfied that the terms of the undertaking and consent agreement will protect the public interest.