



IN THE MATTER OF THE *TEACHERS ACT*, SBC 2011 c. 19

AND

IN THE MATTER CONCERNING

ELAZAR RESHEF

CONSENT RESOLUTION SUMMARY

This summary is published under section 54(3) of the Teachers Act to protect the identity of students who were harmed, abused or exploited by the teacher.

1. Reshef held a valid Professional Certificate of Qualification, No. [REDACTED]. It was issued by the B.C. College of Teachers under the *Teaching Profession Act* on October 27, 1994, was valid from September 1, 1994, and was continued under the *Teachers Act* as of January 9, 2012.
2. On November 1, 2021, Reshef's Certificate of Qualification was cancelled due to non-payment of fees.
3. At all material times, Reshef was employed as an elementary school teacher by a school district working at a school (the "School") in the district.
4. In 2019, the Commissioner received a report about Reshef from a district under section 16 of the *School Act*.
5. In 2019, police executed a search warrant on Reshef's residence and seized multiple devices for forensic examination, including Reshef's work laptop and his phone, which included photographs of students which were taken without their knowledge or their parents' permission.
6. In 2019, the District suspended Reshef.
7. In 2020, Reshef gave an undertaking that he would not teach or work in any position in the kindergarten to grade 12 education system in British Columbia.

8. In 2020, Reshef was convicted of possession of child pornography and sentenced to an 18-month conditional sentence order.
9. In 2022, Reshef entered into a consent resolution agreement with the Commissioner in which Reshef agreed that his conduct described in paragraphs 5 and 8 above constitutes professional misconduct and conduct unbecoming and is contrary to Standards #1 and #2 of the *Professional Standards for BC Educators* (June 2019).
10. Reshef agreed that he would never again apply for, and the Director of Certification would not issue him a certificate of qualification, an independent school teaching certificate or other authorization at any time in the future, under section 64(g) of the *Teachers Act*.
11. In determining that a lifetime ban on reapplication is an appropriate consequence, the Commissioner considered the following factor:
 - a. the conduct was at the serious end of the spectrum.