



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

AND

IN THE MATTER CONCERNING

A TEACHER

CONSENT RESOLUTION SUMMARY

This summary is published under section 54(3) of the Teachers Act to protect the identity of a student who was harmed, abused or exploited by the Teacher.

1. The Teacher held a valid Professional Certificate of Qualification. It was issued by the B.C. College of Teachers under the *Teaching Profession Act* on August 25, 1999, was valid from September 1, 1999, and was continued under the *Teachers Act* as of January 9, 2012.
2. At all material times, the Teacher was employed as a high school teacher by a District in British Columbia at a District school (the “School”).
3. On April 26, 2016, the Branch received information regarding the Teacher having a sexual relationship with a student.
4. In June 2016, the Teacher provided the Commissioner with an undertaking not to practice and resigned their employment with the District.
5. On November 1, 2017, the Teacher’s Certificate of Qualification was cancelled for non-payment of fees.
6. On November 28, 2019 the Teacher pleaded guilty to a charge of sexual exploitation. The Teacher was sentenced on March 4, 2021. The criminal proceedings were subject to court-ordered publication bans under sections 486.4 and 539 of the *Criminal Code*.
7. On [REDACTED] the Teacher entered into a consent resolution agreement with the Commissioner in which the Teacher admitted that their conduct described in paragraph 6 above constitutes professional misconduct and conduct unbecoming is contrary to Standard #1 and Standard #2 of the *Standards for the Education, Competence and*

Professional Conduct of Educators in British Columbia, Fourth Edition, January 2012.

8. Under the terms of the consent resolution agreement, the Teacher agreed that he will never apply for, and understands the Director of Certification will never again issue to him, a certificate of qualification, an independent school teaching certificate or any other authorization to teach in the kindergarten to grade 12 education system under section 64(g) of the *Teachers Act*, or any successor legislation.
9. In determining that a lifetime ban on reapplication and reissuance is an appropriate consequence, the Commissioner considered the following factors:
 - a. The Teacher's conduct toward the student constituted a criminal offence.
 - b. The Teacher violated his privileged position of power and trust in exploiting the student.
 - c. The Teacher damaged the student's physical and emotional safety and well-being.
 - d. The Teacher was dishonest when he lied to the Branch.