



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 teaching certificate in British Columbia from 2016 until November 1, 2018, when it was cancelled for non-payment of fees.
2. The Teacher was employed by a school district in B.C. (the “District”) at a District school (the “School”).
3. On November 11, 2016, the Teacher resigned from the District effective November 30, 2016.
4. On November 18, 2016, the District made a report to the Commissioner regarding the Teacher under section 16 of the *Teachers Act*. This has been designated Matter 1.
5. On December 26, 2016, the Teacher signed an undertaking not to teach in any role which required a certificate of qualification, independent school teaching certificate or letter of permission.
6. On May 8, 2017, the Commissioner initiated an investigation under s.47(1)(b) of the *Teachers Act* after learning that the Teacher had been charged with two counts of sexual assault contrary to s.271 of the *Criminal Code* and two counts of sexual exploitation contrary to s.153 of the *Criminal Code*. This has been designated Matter 2.
7. On May 16, 2017, the Commissioner combined Matter 1 and Matter 2.
8. In 2016, while teaching at the School, the Teacher attended parties with students at the

School and was photographed drinking alcohol with them.

9. In 2016, the Teacher exchanged inappropriate and sexualized text messages with a 17-year old student at the School (“Student A”).
10. In 2016, the Teacher began a sexual relationship with Student A.
11. On February 28, 2018, the Teacher was convicted of one charge of sexual exploitation of a young person under the age of 18, contrary to s.153 of the *Criminal Code*.
12. On March 28, 2019, the Teacher was sentenced. The Teacher received a 15-month conditional sentence, two years’ probation, and registration on the National Sex Offender Registry for a period of 10 years.
13. On [REDACTED], the Teacher entered into a consent resolution agreement with the Commissioner in which the Teacher agreed that their conduct described in paragraphs 8, 9 and 10 above constitutes professional misconduct and is contrary to Standard #1 of the *Standards for the Education, Competence and Professional Conduct of Educators in British Columbia*, Fourth Edition, January 2012.
14. The Teacher agreed that they would never again apply for, and that the Director of Certification would be required under section 64(g) of the *Teachers Act* never to issue to them, a certificate of qualification, an independent school teaching certificate or a letter of permission.
15. In determining that a lifetime ban on reapplication is an appropriate consequence, the Commissioner considered the following factors:
 - a. the Teacher engaged in criminal misconduct involving a serious sexual exploitation of a student; and
 - b. there was a pattern of boundary violations in addition to the most serious violation which led to the criminal conviction.