

# 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 holds a valid Professional Certificate of Qualification.
- 2. At all material times, the Teacher was employed as a secondary school teacher by a school district at school (the "School") in the district.
- 3. In 2018, the Commissioner received a report about the Teacher from a District Superintendent under s.16 of the *School Act*. The Commissioner also received complaints about the Teacher.
- 4. In 2018, the Teacher gave an undertaking that he would not teach or work in any position in the kindergarten to grade 12 education system in British Columbia.
- 5. The Teacher entered into a sexual relationship with Student A when Student A was in Grade 12.
- 6. The Teacher entered into a sexual relationship with a former student, Student B, within four months of the date of her graduation from Grade 12.
- 7. In 2020, the Teacher entered into a consent resolution agreement with the Commissioner in which the Teacher agreed that his conduct described in paragraph 6 above constitutes professional misconduct and is contrary to Standard #1 and #2 of the *Standards for the Education, Competence and Professional Conduct of Educators in British Columbia*, Fourth Edition, January 2012.

- 8. The Teacher agreed to cancellation of his certificate under sections 53 and 64(e) of the *Teachers Act*. The Teacher also agreed that he would never again apply for, and the Director of Certification would be required not to issue to him a certificate of qualification, an independent school teaching certificate or a letter of permission at any time in the future, under section 64(g) of the *Teachers Act*.
- 9. In determining that a cancellation of the certificate and a lifetime ban on reapplication are appropriate consequences, the Commissioner considered the following factors:
  - a. he engaged in repeated, serious boundary violations over a long period of time; and
  - b. he sought to hide his conduct and told the students not to say anything about his conduct with them.