



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

AND

IN THE MATTER CONCERNING

A TEACHER

SUMMARY OF CONSENT RESOLUTION AGREEMENT

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, [REDACTED], issued by the Director of Certification (the “Director”) under the *Teachers Act* on January 11, 2019, which was cancelled on November 1, 2022, for non-payment of fees.
2. In 2021, the Teacher signed an undertaking not to teach in any position requiring a certificate of qualification, independent school teaching certificate or letter of permission.
3. At all material times, the Teacher was employed as a high school teacher by a school district in British Columbia (the “District”) at a District school (the “School”).
4. In 2021, the District made a report to the Commissioner regarding the Teacher, under section 16 of the *School Act*. The District suspended the Teacher.
5. The following events occurred:
 - a. The Teacher entered into an inappropriately intimate, physical and sexualized relationship with a student (the “Student”).
 - b. In 2021, the Teacher was criminally charged with sexual offences pertaining to sexual exploitation of a minor under sections 153 and 172.1(1)(a) of the *Criminal Code*, in respect of the Teacher’s conduct towards the Student.
 - c. In 2022, the Teacher pleaded guilty to one count of sexual exploitation under s. 153 of the *Criminal Code* and was sentenced to a conditional sentence of 24 months, followed by 36 months’ probation (the “Sentence”). The Sentence included terms limiting the Teacher’s ability to have contact with minors and an order that the Teacher remain

listed on the National Sex Offender Registry for 20 years. The remaining counts on the Indictment were stayed.

- d. The criminal proceedings were subject to a publication ban under s. 486.4(2.1) of the *Criminal Code*.
6. On [REDACTED], the Teacher entered into a consent resolution agreement with the Commissioner in which the Teacher admitted that his conduct described in paragraph 5 above constitutes professional misconduct and conduct unbecoming under section 63 of the *Teachers Act* and is contrary to Standards #1 and #2 of the of the *Professional Standards for BC Educators*, June 2019.
7. The Teacher agreed that he will not apply for, and understands the Director will be required not to issue to the Teacher, 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.
8. In determining that a lifetime ban is an appropriate consequence, the Commissioner considered the following factors:
 - a. the Teacher engaged in criminal misconduct that undermines public trust in the teaching profession,
 - b. the Teacher used his privileged position of power and trust to exploit a minor for sexual advantage, and
 - c. the Teacher violated the Student's physical and emotional safety and wellbeing.