

DISCIPLINE CASE SUMMARY

a. Vincent Wayne Hannas (DOB: 1967/11/11)

- **b.** Professional Misconduct and Conduct Unbecoming a Member.
- **c.** The hearing was held August 16, 2001 at the College offices. The matter was brought to the attention of the College through a report from the School Board and the Ministry of the Attorney General. The report and recommendations of the hearing panel were presented to Council on November 1, 2001.
- **d.** The hearing panel found that Vincent Wayne Hannas engaged in sexual relations with two of his female, adult students in the period October 1996 January 1997. Further, in the period of March-April, 1998, Vincent Wayne Hannas committed a break and enter at the matrimonial home (Count 1) occupied by his estranged common-law wife and their son. On this occasion, Mr Hannas also committed an assault upon his estranged partner by restraining her forcibly by the arms. Prior to this, Mr Hannas harassed his ex-partner (Count 2) to the point that she reasonably feared for her safety and had obtained a restraining order. Mr Hannas pleaded guilty and was sentenced on each Count. Mr Hannas freely and fully admitted to the hearing panel all of the allegations contained in the citation. The panel found Vincent Wayne Hannas guilty of professional misconduct and conduct unbecoming a member.
- **e.** While the offences which Mr Hannas has admitted to are serious violations of professional standards, the panel also considered the following in determining the penalty:
 - These acts occurred at a time of great personal turmoil, stress and depression.
 - Mr Hannas has fully and freely accepted responsibility for his actions.
 - Mr Hannas has been honest and forthright in admitting his wrongdoing to the school board, to the police and the courts, to the College and to all subsequent employers.
 - Mr Hannas has been rehabilitating himself through counselling and therapy.
 - A clinical/forensic psychologist has stated there is no risk of his re-offending.

• Mr Hannas has the support of many colleagues and employers who have extensive knowledge of what transpired and who still support his continuance in the profession. The panel recommended to Council that Vincent Wayne Hannas' certificate of qualification be suspended for a period of 24 months from June 30, 2000 to June 30, 2002.

f. Mr Hannas consented to the hearing panel's recommendations regarding penalty and his certificate of qualification was suspended for a period of 24 months from June 30, 2000 to June 30, 2002.