

INQUIRY COMMITTEE RECORD OF DECISION

FILE NAME: DH0864

FACTS

In January 2008, the Registrar of the College of Dental Hygienists of British Columbia was informed that an individual had been practicing dental hygiene while not a registrant of The College of Dental Hygienists of British Columbia. After confirming this to be fact, the College requested that the individual cease practicing dental hygiene immediately. The registrant subsequently submitted an application for registration with the College and was granted registration in accordance with College bylaw 39.

In September 2008, the Inquiry Committee resolved to investigate, on its own motion, the registrant for having practiced dental hygiene while not a registrant of the College.

The registrant informed the Registrar that “this past year has been full of upheaval, change, and personal disaster. I have experienced both the loss of human life and personal belongings. And somehow in the chaos I neglected to renew my license for 2007 and managed to lose the supporting documents for my Continuing Competency.” The registrant also informed the Registrar that s/he had neglected to notify the College of change of address and as a result did not receive registration renewal information.

COMMITTEE DECISION

As set out in section 36(1)(a) and 36 (1)(d) of the *Health Professions Act*, the registrant was requested to undertake not to repeat the conduct of practicing dental hygiene while not a registrant of the College of Dental Hygienist of British Columbia and to ensure the College is aware of the current contact information at all times. The registrant complied with the request to sign an Undertaking document and the committee resolved to close the case.

RELEVANT PROVISION OF ACT, REGULATION, OR BYLAWS: *Act*, sections 33(4)(a); 33(5); 32(2); 36(1)(a); 36 (1)(d); and *Bylaws*, section 47; 49

STATUS: *Closed*

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY: *Health Professions Act s 33; 36*