

**DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE OF THE
ONTARIO COLLEGE OF TEACHERS**

BETWEEN:

ONTARIO COLLEGE OF TEACHERS

and

DAVID ROBERT GORMAN

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE OF THE ONTARIO COLLEGE OF TEACHERS, pursuant to section 26, subsection (5) of the *Ontario College of Teachers Act, 1996* (the "*Act*"), Statutes of Ontario, 1996, chapter 12, has directed that the matter hereinafter described regarding the conduct or actions of David Robert Gorman, Certificate No. 459683, be referred to the Discipline Committee of the Ontario College of Teachers.

IT IS ALLEGED that David Robert Gorman is guilty of professional misconduct as defined in the *Act* in that:

- (a) he contravened a law, the contravention of which is relevant to the member's suitability to hold a certificate of qualification and registration, contrary to Ontario Regulation 437/97, subsection 1(16);
- (b) he committed acts that, having regard to all the circumstances, would reasonably be regarded by members as disgraceful, dishonourable or unprofessional, contrary to Ontario Regulation 437/97, subsection 1(18);

- (c) he engaged in conduct unbecoming a member, contrary to Ontario Regulation 437/97, subsection 1(19).

PARTICULARS OF THESE ALLEGATIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. David Robert Gorman (the “Member”) is an inactive/non-practising member of the Ontario College of Teachers.
2. At all material times, the Member was employed by the Conseil scolaire catholique de district des Grandes Rivières as Principal at [XXX] in [XXX], Ontario.
3. At all material times, the Member was also a lawyer licensed to practise law in the province of Ontario. On November 7, 2024, the Member’s license to practise law was revoked by the Law Society of Ontario.
4. At all material times, Person A was a 19-year-old male.
5. On or about November 3, 2019, the Member applied unwanted physical force to Person A, without Person A’s consent.
6. On March 8, 2021, the Member was found guilty of the offence of assault against Person A, with respect to an incident that occurred on November 3, 2019, contrary to s. 266 of the *Criminal Code* (Canada).
7. At all material times, Person B was an adult female and a staff member at the School, under the supervision of the Member. During the summer of 2019, Person B was also employed by the Member to work in his legal practice as his legal assistant.
8. On or about July 31, 2019, the Member asked Person B to co-sign a loan for the Member in the amount of \$45,000, and/or threatened the employment of Person B if she did not co-sign the loan.

9. In February 2025, the Member was charged with one count of extortion contrary to s. 346(1.1)(b) of the *Criminal Code*, regarding the July 31, 2019 incident involving Person B. The charge is currently before the courts.
10. At all material times, Person C had retained the Member, in his capacity as a lawyer, to represent Person C in a real estate transaction.
11. On or about January 5, 2022, the Member transferred funds he held in trust for Person C to a use not authorized by the trust, thereby defrauding Person C.
12. On April 25, 2023, the Member was found guilty of the offence of breach of trust with intent to defraud, with respect to the fraud that occurred on January 5, 2022, contrary to s. 336 of the *Criminal Code* (Canada).
13. At all material times, Person D retained the Member, in his capacity as a lawyer, to assist with the sale of a residential property.
14. In or around April 2021, the Member misappropriated funds belonging to Person D.
15. In or around the period April 20-23, 2021, the Member deposited cheques, issued by and payable to the Member, for which he had insufficient funds, thereby defrauding his bank.
16. On April 25, 2023, the Member was found guilty of the offence of obtaining funds by false pretence, with respect to the transactions that occurred on or about April 20 to 23, 2021, contrary to s. 362(1)(a) of the *Criminal Code* (Canada).

THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE WILL HOLD A HEARING pursuant to sections 30, 32, and 32.1 of the *Act* to decide whether the allegations are true and whether David Robert Gorman is guilty of professional misconduct. A copy of the *Rules of Procedure of the*

Discipline Committee and of the Fitness to Practise Committee (the "Rules of Procedure") will be provided upon request and is also available on the College's website.

THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE WILL HEAR THIS MATTER on a date to be determined after consultation between College Counsel and you or your counsel and fixed by the Tribunals' Office.

YOU ARE ENTITLED TO BE PRESENT AT THE HEARING AND TO BE REPRESENTED BY LEGAL COUNSEL. The hearing will be held electronically using audio or video conferencing equipment, pursuant to the *Rules of Procedure* and the *Statutory Powers Procedure Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.S.22 (the "SPPA").

IF YOU DO NOT ATTEND ON THE SCHEDULED HEARING DATE, THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE MAY PROCEED WITH THE HEARING IN YOUR ABSENCE AND YOU WILL NOT BE PROVIDED WITH ANY FURTHER NOTICE OF PROCEEDINGS.

IF YOU BELIEVE THAT AN ELECTRONIC HEARING OR ELECTRONIC SET DATE HEARING IS LIKELY TO CAUSE YOU SIGNIFICANT PREJUDICE, you must notify the Tribunals' Office at 101 Bloor Street West, Toronto, Ontario, M5S 0A1. The Discipline Committee will then determine whether the hearing will proceed in person, electronically, in writing, or by a combination of these formats.

IF A DATE FOR THE HEARING AND/OR THE FORMAT OF THE HEARING ARE NOT AGREED UPON, THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE WILL CONVENE TO DEAL WITH THE PROCEDURAL MATTER OF SETTING A DATE AND/OR ESTABLISHING THE

FORMAT FOR THE HEARING. The procedural hearing will be held electronically using audio or video conferencing equipment, pursuant to the *Rules of Procedure* and the *SPPA*.

YOU ARE ENTITLED TO BE PRESENT WHEN THE COMMITTEE CONVENES TO SET A DATE AND/OR FORMAT FOR THE HEARING AND TO BE REPRESENTED BY LEGAL COUNSEL. IF YOU DO NOT ATTEND BEFORE THE COMMITTEE TO SET A DATE AND/OR FORMAT FOR THE HEARING, THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE MAY PROCEED IN YOUR ABSENCE TO SET THE DATE AND/OR FORMAT. NOTICE OF THE HEARING DATE AND/OR FORMAT SET BY THE COMMITTEE WILL BE PROVIDED TO YOU IN WRITING AT YOUR LAST KNOWN EMAIL ADDRESS AS SHOWN IN THE RECORDS OF THE COLLEGE.

IF THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE FINDS YOU GUILTY of professional misconduct, you are liable to the penalties set out in section 30 of the *Act*.

A MEMBER whose conduct is being investigated in proceedings before the Discipline Committee may examine before the hearing any written or documentary evidence that will be produced or any report, the contents of which will be given as evidence at the hearing. You or your representative may contact the office of Caroline Zayid of McCarthy Tétrault LLP, College Counsel in this matter, at Suite 5300, Toronto Dominion Bank Tower, Toronto, ON M5K 1E6, telephone 416-601-7768.

Date: August 29, 2025

Registrar's Signature

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