

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

BETWEEN:

ONTARIO COLLEGE OF TEACHERS

and

ANTOVIN MARLON ARIES

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 Antovin Marlon Aries, Certificate No. 628979, be referred to the Discipline Committee of the Ontario College of Teachers.

IT IS ALLEGED that Antovin Marlon Aries is guilty of professional misconduct as defined in the *Act* in that:

- (a) he abused a student or students psychologically or emotionally, contrary to Ontario Regulation 437/97, subsection 1(7.2);
- (b) he abused a student or students sexually, contrary to Ontario Regulation 437/97, subsection 1(7.3) and/or engaged in sexual abuse of a student or students as defined in section 1 of the *Act*;
- (c) he engaged in sexual misconduct as defined in section 1 of the *Act*;

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

PARTICULARS OF THESE ALLEGATIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. At all material times, Antovin Marlon Aries (the “Member”) was a member of the Ontario College of Teachers.
2. At all material times, the Member was employed by the Toronto District School Board as a teacher at [XXX] Public School (the “School”) in Toronto, Ontario.
3. In the 2016-2017 academic year, Student 1 was an [XXX] year-old male student at the School, and was in the Member’s Grade [XXX] [XXX]class.
4. In the 2019-2020 academic year, Student 1 was a [XXX] year-old male student in Grade [XXX] at [XXX] Institute in Toronto, Ontario.
5. In or about January 2020, the Member had physical contact with Student 1, including, but not limited to:
 - (a) rubbing Student 1’s head; and
 - (b) patting Student 1’s lap.
6. From in or about January 2020 to in or about February 2020, the Member engaged in an inappropriate personal relationship with Student 1, which included, but was not limited to:
 - (a) telling Student 1 to visit him at the School;

- (b) [XXX] Student 1 [XXX].
 - (c) inviting Student 1 to attend [XXX] the Member, which Student 1 did; and
 - (d) talking to Student 1 about Student 1's [XXX] problems and his health.
7. From in or about January 2020 to in or about February 2020, the Member sent inappropriate text messages to Student 1 that crossed appropriate boundaries by addressing topics of a sexual or personal nature, which included but was not limited to the Member stating to Student 1:
- (a) the Member had just been at a nightclub;
 - (b) Student 1 should not have a girlfriend because he had the Member;
 - (c) if Student 1 did not break up with his girlfriend, the Member would do it for him;
 - (d) Student 1 would need to "play [his] cards right" to obtain the Member's help;
 - (e) the Member would buy Student 1 shoes if Student 1 met expectations;
 - (f) Student 1 should keep it a secret that the Member would buy him shoes;
 - (g) the Member was "taking [Student 1] over";
 - (h) Student 1 should not go to [XXX];
 - (i) questions regarding whether Student 1 had been sexually and/or physically abused;
 - (j) Student 1's sister was being irresponsible if she was being sexually active;

- (k) the Member needed all of Student 1's love and attention;
- (l) the Member loved Student 1;
- (m) questions regarding whether Student 1 watched pornography;
- (n) Student 1 was awesome for only having watched pornography twice;
- (o) Student 1 should delete the Member's text messages; and
- (p) Student 1 is "like an addict" and does not know what is good for him.

THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE WILL HOLD A HEARING pursuant to sections 30, 30.2, 32 and 32.1 of the *Act* to decide whether the allegations are true and whether Antovin Marlon Aries 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 sections 30 and 30.2 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 Lisa Feinberg of Glick Feinberg Stone LLP, College Counsel in this matter, at 65 Front Street East, Suite 200, Toronto, ON M5E 1B5, telephone 416-596-2960.

Date: August 29, 2025

Registrar's Signature

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