

NOTICE

Suspension

On March 29, 2023, a Hearing Committee of the Law Society of Alberta issued a decision finding the conduct of **Navjeet Singh Ralh**, a suspended member of the Law Society who lives and practiced in Edmonton, Alberta, to be deserving of sanction on five citations relating to the following:

- Assisting a client in obtaining a fraudulent mortgage;
- Instructing his assistant to falsely witness and commission documents in furtherance of a mortgage fraud;
- Failing to honor a trust condition; and
- Failing to provide legal services to the standard of a competent lawyer to two clients, including performing all functions in a conscientious, competent, and diligent manner.

Conduct deserving of sanction is defined in the *Act* as conduct that is incompatible with the best interests of the public (including members of the Law Society) or conduct that tends to harm the standing of the legal profession generally.

Pursuant to Section 72(1)(b) of the *Legal Profession Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. L-8 (the "Act"), the Hearing Committee ordered that Mr. Ralh be suspended for eighteen months. The Hearing Committee further ordered that this suspension should be reduced by six months to account for some of the period of time Mr. Ralh has been suspended pending his hearing, and that the remaining twelve month suspension should commence from the Hearing date of November 2, 2022.

The Hearing Committee also ordered that Mr. Ralh pay costs of the hearing of \$20,405.91 by November 2, 2026.

The following lawyer continues to have carriage of Mr. Ralh's practice during his suspension:

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The full written decision of the Hearing Committee will be posted to the Law Society of Alberta website when it is issued.

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All Inactive Lawyers,

All Executive Directors of other Law Societies in Canada, All Justices of the Court of Appeal and Court of King's Bench,

All Judges of the Provincial Court of Alberta,

All Applications Judges, All Clerks of the Court.