

NOTICE

Suspension

On February 15, 2024, a Hearing Committee of the Law Society of Alberta found the conduct of **Michael P. McHenry**, an inactive member of the Law Society who lives and practiced in Calgary, Alberta, to be deserving of sanction on one citation, namely, that he altered a transaction document by adding in handwriting a client's signature to it.

Conduct deserving of sanction is defined in the *Legal Profession Act*, RSA 2000, c L-8 (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 *Act*, the Hearing Committee ordered that Mr. McHenry be suspended for one month. Because of the length of time voluntarily spent away from practice improving his wellbeing, and because section 50(2) of the *Act* mandates that some part of the suspension must occur in the future, the Hearing Committee directed that all but one day of the suspension was to be credited to Mr. McHenry. Consequently, the Hearing Committee directed that Mr. McHenry serve the remaining suspension day on February 15, 2024.

The Hearing Committee also ordered that Mr. McHenry pay costs of \$4,000.00 by February 15, 2025.

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 Justices of the Court of Justice of Alberta,
All Applications Judges,
All Clerks of the Court.