

**DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE OF THE
ONTARIO COLLEGE OF TRADES**

Sherry Darvish, Chair
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) Monday, the 21st day of January, 2019
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BETWEEN:

ONTARIO COLLEGE OF TRADES (the “College”)

-and-

DOUGLAS GEORGE HOWARD (the “Member”)
(Member No. 13823555)

ORDER

THIS HEARING was held in Toronto, Ontario. Despite receiving sufficient notice of the date, time and place of the Hearing, the Member did not attend nor was he represented by counsel.

ON READING the Notice of Hearing, and on considering the evidence and submissions for counsel for the College:

A. **THIS PANEL OF THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE FINDS** that the Member is guilty of professional misconduct pursuant to the following paragraphs of section 1 of Regulation 97/13 of the *Ontario College of Trades and Apprenticeship Act* (the “Act”):

- a) failed to take reasonable steps to safeguard the life, health or property of a person who may be affected by the work of a person for whom he is responsible, when he knew or ought to have known that there was a risk to life, health or property (paragraph 1);

- b) failed to act to correct or report a situation that he knew or ought to have known may endanger the safety or welfare of the public (paragraph 2);
- c) signed or issued, in his capacity as a member of the College, a document that he knew or ought to have known contained a false, improper or misleading statement (paragraph 8);
- d) was found guilty of contravening a law that is relevant to his suitability to hold a certificate of qualification (paragraph 9);
- e) failed to maintain the standards of a trade (paragraph 10); and
- f) acted or failed to act, in respect to the practice of a trade, in a manner that, having regard to all the circumstances, would reasonably be regarded by members as disgraceful, dishonourable or unprofessional (paragraph 11).

B. THIS PANEL OF THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE orders the following:

1. Directs the Registrar to immediately suspend the Member's certificate of qualification in the trade of Auto Body and Collision Damage Repairer for 24 months, and orders that the Member may not apply for reinstatement of said suspended certificate of qualification for twelve months, pursuant to s. 46(4) para 2 and s. 46(7) of the Act.
2. Imposes a fine in an amount of \$2,000, to be paid by the Member to the Minister of Finance for payment into the Consolidated Revenue Fund, to be paid within 12 months of the date of this order, pursuant to s. 46(5)2 of the Act.
3. Fix costs in the amount of \$5,399.05 to be paid by the Member within 12 months of the date of this order, pursuant to section 46(5)4 of the Act.

Date: January 21, 2019

"Sherry Darvish"
Sherry Darvish,
Discipline Committee Member,
On behalf of the Panel

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