

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

IN THE MATTER OF *the Ontario College of Teachers Act, 1996, S.O. 1996,
c. 12 and the Regulation (Ontario Regulation 437/97) thereunder;*

AND IN THE MATTER OF discipline proceedings against
Robert Martin Gorman, a member of the Ontario College of Teachers.

PANEL: Normand Fortin (Chair)
 Ted Coulson
 Jacques Tremblay

BETWEEN:)	
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)	Eric Block,
ONTARIO COLLEGE OF TEACHERS)	McCarthy Tétrault,
)	for Ontario College of Teachers,
)	assisted by Trevor Evans,
- and -)	Senior Law Clerk
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ROBERT MARTIN GORMAN)	Howard Goldbatt,
(CERTIFICATE #247212))	Sack, Goldblatt, Mitchell,
)	for Robert Martin Gorman
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)	Christopher Wirth,
)	Stockwoods,
)	Independent Legal Counsel
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)	Heard: May 2, 2005

REASONS FOR DECISION AND DECISION ON MOTION

Counsel for the College and Counsel for the Member brought a motion to seek leave from the Committee to withdraw the allegations set out in the *Notice of Hearing* dated January 19, 2004.

Independent legal counsel advised the Committee that the Committee had jurisdiction to make the order requested, pursuant to section 4.1 of the *Statutory Powers Procedure Act*, which provides that if the parties consent, a proceeding may be disposed of by a decision of the Committee without a hearing.

The Committee considered the submissions of College counsel and counsel for the Member. Upon the consent of the parties, the Committee authorizes the College to accept the *Undertaking* of the Member and withdraw the allegations of professional misconduct and incompetence against Robert Martin Gorman set out in the *Notice of Hearing*, on the agreed upon terms outlined in the *Undertaking* as follows:

1. That in the event that the Member returns to teaching, or to any other position in Ontario for which a certificate of qualification and registration is required, he shall notify the Registrar in writing of his employer and position within ten days of the commencement thereof.
2. That within ten days of commencing a position, the Member shall provide to his employer a written form of consent confirming his acknowledgement and agreement that his employer shall promptly notify the Registrar of any allegations of inappropriate interactions with a student, as soon as such allegations arise.

The Committee is satisfied that the *Undertaking* of Robert Martin Gorman as noted above serves to protect the public interest.

Date: May 2, 2005

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Chair, Discipline Panel

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Member, Discipline Panel

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