

A hearing of the Discipline Committee of the New Brunswick Association of Social Workers was held on October 26, 2021 to hear and determine a Complaint against Robin Prince, R.S.W. alleging professional misconduct.

By Voluntary Submission, Ms. Robin Prince admitted to the following which she acknowledges constitutes professional misconduct :

- a) She failed to maintain appropriate professional boundaries with a client;
- b) She exchanged text messages with the client outside of the therapeutic role;
- c) She exchanged text messages with client of a sexual nature;
- d) She failed to maintain a record of the encounters by deleting all the text messages sent to the client;
- e) She engaged in video-chat with the client outside of the therapeutic role on numerous occasions; and
- f) She failed to refer the client to another professional when professional boundaries were crossed.

Following a determination that the Member was guilty of professional misconduct, the Discipline Committee imposed the following joint submission regarding discipline sanctions:

1. 24-month suspension from the practice of social work from July 16, 2021 to July 16, 2023;
2. Payment of costs of \$11,000.00;
3. Payment of fine of \$5,000.00;
4. Five assignments in the form of continuing education articles; and
5. Summary and publication of the proceeding with names for the education of the membership.