

Allegations:

The Inquiries, Complaints and Reports Committee (ICRC) referred Dr. Frank Stepec to the Discipline Committee regarding the following allegations of professional misconduct:

Dr. Stepec committed an act of professional misconduct as provided by s. 51(1)(c) of the Health Professions Procedural Code, being Schedule 2 to the *Regulated Health Professions Act*, S.O. 1991, c. 18, and as set out by s. 1(1), paragraph 11 of O. Reg. 859/93, as amended, of the *Optometry Act*, S.O. 1991, c. 35, in that:

(1) he committed an act of professional misconduct as provided by s. 51(1)(c) of the *Health Professions Procedural Code*, being Schedule 2 to the *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991*, S. O. 1991, c. 18, and as set out by s. 1(1), paragraph 49, of O. Reg. 859/93, as amended, of the *Optometry Act, 1991*, S.O. 1991, c. 35, in that, on or about September 29, 2010, he was convicted of an offence that affects his fitness to practise optometry; and

(2) he committed an act of professional misconduct as provided by s. 51(1)(c) of the *Health Professions Procedural Code*, being Schedule 2 to the *Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991*, S. O. 1991, c. 18, and as set out by s. 1(1), paragraph 53, of O. Reg. 859/93, as amended, of the *Optometry Act, 1991*, S.O. 1991, c. 35, in that, he engaged in conduct or performed an act that, having regard to all the circumstances, would reasonably be regarded by members as disgraceful, dishonourable, unprofessional or unethical.