

REPRIMAND AND RESIGNATION

Eric Dennis Rideout

Halifax, Nova Scotia,

CLPNNS Reg. No. 6612



On November 3, 2006, the Discipline Committee of the College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Nova Scotia (the College) accepted a Settlement Agreement agreed upon by the College and Eric Dennis Rideout, and recommended by the Complaints Committee of the College.

The Settlement Agreement was advanced pursuant to Section 25 of the Licensed Practical Nurses Regulations.

Prior to the meeting of the Discipline Committee to consider the Settlement Agreement, the Complaints Committee of the College met on June 29, 2004 and imposed restrictions on Mr. Rideout's license to practice nursing. Since the summer of 2004, Mr. Rideout's health has deteriorated, and medical evidence has been received by the College to establish Mr. Rideout is now disabled from the practice of nursing.

In the Settlement Agreement, Mr. Rideout admitted to the following allegations as set out in the Notice of Hearing:

1. Between May and September, 2003, Eric Rideout demonstrated inappropriate verbal communication with residents; and
2. Between May and September, 2003, Eric Rideout engaged in inappropriate communication with co-workers.

Mr. Rideout admitted to the above allegations and agreed that such allegations amounted to professional misconduct.

The Settlement Agreement provides that Mr. Rideout is reprimanded with respect to his professional misconduct. The Settlement Agreement further provides that Mr. Rideout shall not re-apply in the future for the issuance of a license to practice practical nursing. In addition, Mr. Rideout tendered his resignation from the College of Licensed Practical Nurses. It was agreed that in the event Mr. Rideout did apply to other nursing jurisdictions for a license to engage in the practice of practical nursing, that the College could provide such regulatory bodies with a full copy of the Settlement Agreement, and with notice of Mr. Rideout's undertaking not to apply for a license to practice practical nursing in any jurisdiction at any time in the future.