DISCIPLINE DECISION

BETEROS MIKHAIL

Pursuant to a Notice of Hearing dated the 28th day of June, 2011 (the "Notice"), it was alleged that Beteros Hanna Said Mikhail, commonly known as Peter Mikhail, being a pharmacist under the provisions of the *Act*, and a registrant of the Association, was guilty of unskilled practice or professional misconduct, as described in Section 35 of the *Act*, in that, in his role as a pharmacist and/or pharmacy manager in 2009, while employed at the Eriksdale Pharmacy, located at 12 Railway Avenue, Eriksdale, Manitoba, he did:

- initial and sign the Preceptor Application form to act as a preceptor of an internship to be served by his brother, Isaac Hanna, which confirmed that he would not act as a preceptor for an immediate family member; and
- as a preceptor of Isaac Hanna, sign the "Statement of Completion" for Mr. Hanna's internship confirming that he served his internship for a minimum of nine weeks, from May 15, 2009, when he knew or ought to have known that Mr. Hanna could not have done so as he was out of the country during a portion of this time period.

On August 10, 2011, Mr. Mikhail appeared before the Discipline Committee and was represented by Mr. Donald Bodnarchuk, a pharmacist who spoke on his behalf during the proceedings.

Upon Mr. Mikhail entering a guilty plea to both counts, Mr. Jeff Hirsch, representing the Manitoba Pharmaceutical Association, provided exhibits and information to support the charges. Mr. Bodnarchuk provided additional information and spoke to the character of Mr. Mikhail. He also noted that Mr. Mikhail felt he was guilty but with circumstances on Count number one.

Following the submissions, Mr. Hirsch and Mr. Bodnarchuk submitted a joint recommendation to the Committee for consideration, namely that Mr. Mikhail

a. be found quilty of Professional Misconduct;

- b. be ordered to pay a fine of \$500.00; and
- c. be assessed and pay a contribution to the costs of the proceedings in the amount of \$4000.00.

As Mr. Mikhail had no prior record of discipline, expressed feelings of remorse, and pleaded guilty to the charges, the Committee accepted the joint recommendation.

Mr. Mikhail has complied with this decision.