

THE TEACHING PROFESSION ACT AND AMENDING ACTS

IN THE MATTER OF a charge or complaint against
David Hatto

ORDER OF THE PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF
THE ALBERTA TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

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The Discipline Committee of The Alberta Teachers' Association, pursuant to authorization in that behalf, did, after duly investigating the charges of unprofessional conduct laid against David Hatto by Provincial Executive Council, on Monday, June 3, 1991, find him guilty of unprofessional conduct. A report in writing of its findings and recommendations was made to the Provincial Executive Council of The Alberta Teachers' Association. After due consideration of the report and the recommendations made by the Discipline Committee, the Provincial Executive Council of The Alberta Teachers' Association does hereby:

- (a) suspend David Hatto from the Association for a period of three years and
- (b) recommend to the Minister of Education that David Hatto's teaching certificate be suspended for a period of three years.

DATED at the City of Edmonton, in the Province of Alberta, Thursday, June 20, 1991.

THE ALBERTA TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

Per: _____
President

Per: _____
Executive Secretary

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REPORT OF THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE

IN THE MATTER OF charges of unprofessional
conduct against David Hatto

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The Discipline Committee of The Alberta Teachers' Association reports that charges of unprofessional conduct laid against David Hatto of [Location Redacted], were duly investigated in accordance with the Teaching Profession Act (RSA 1980, Chapter T-3) and the Discipline Bylaws of the said Association. The hearing was held in Barnett House, 11010 142 Street, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada on Monday, June 3, 1991 at 0900. Discipline Committee members present were:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] presented the case against the accused. The accused was present and represented by counsel,

[REDACTED]. There being no objection to the composition of the Committee or its jurisdiction to hear the case, the hearing proceeded.

A plea of "guilty" to the following charges was entered by the accused.

1. Mr David Hatto, a member of The Alberta Teachers' Association at the time of the offence, is charged with unprofessional conduct contrary to the Discipline Bylaws of The Alberta Teachers' Association in that he did not act in a manner which maintains the honor and dignity of the profession in that on the 30th day of July, AD 1990 he was convicted of the following summary offence under the Criminal Code of Canada, namely that he on or about

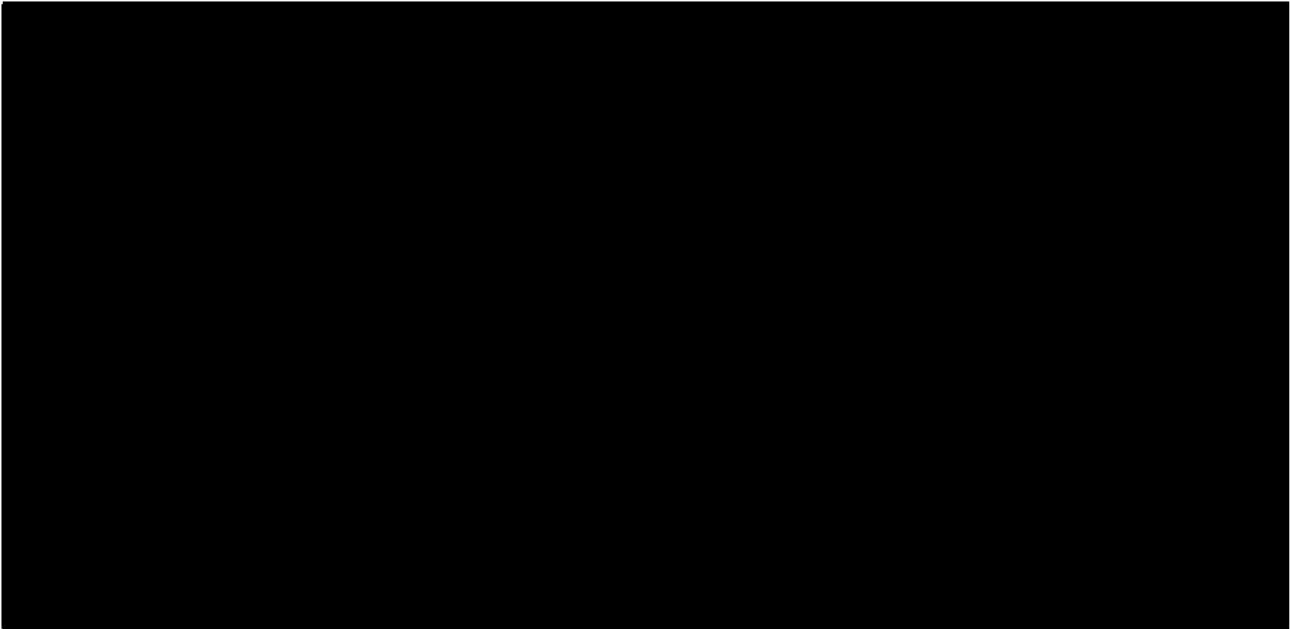
the 27th day of March, AD 1990 at or near [REDACTED] within the province of Alberta did for a sexual purpose touch [REDACTED], a person under the age of [REDACTED] years, directly with a part of his body, to wit: his hand, contrary to the provisions of the Criminal Code.

2. Mr David Hatto, a member of The Alberta Teachers' Association at the time of the offence, is charged with unprofessional conduct contrary to the Discipline Bylaws of The Alberta Teachers' Association in that he did not act in a manner which maintains the honor and dignity of the profession in that on the 30th day of July, AD 1990 he was convicted of the following summary offence under the Criminal Code of Canada, namely that he on or about the 27th day of March, AD 1990 at or near [REDACTED] within the province of Alberta did for a sexual purpose invite [REDACTED] a person under the age of [REDACTED] years to touch directly with a part of [gender redacted] body to wit: a hand, the body of David Hatto contrary to the provisions of the Criminal Code.

Witnesses

No witnesses were called by either the prosecution or the defense.

Evidence Adduced and Exhibits Filed indicated that



The committee recommends to Provincial Executive Council that:

1. D Hatto's membership in The Alberta Teachers' Association be suspended for a period of three years, and
2. a recommendation be made to the Minister of Education that D Hatto's teaching certificate be suspended for a period of three years.

Reasons for Recommended Penalty

1. D Hatto was convicted of two summary offences under the Criminal Code of Canada.
2. Teachers convicted of sexual offences fail to maintain the honor and dignity of the profession.
3. D Hatto's behaviour was deplorable in that he took advantage of a [redacted] old child [redacted]

4. D Hatto showed a lack of sound judgment and common sense in his actions involving [REDACTED] on 1990 03 27.
5. Society expects that teachers will model behaviour that maintains the trust relationship between [REDACTED]. D Hatto failed to model acceptable behaviour.
6. D Hatto expressed remorse for his actions. He has suffered considerable financial loss and damage to his professional reputation.
7. The committee believes that D Hatto's actions constituted an isolated incident.

Dated at the City of Edmonton in the Province of Alberta, Tuesday,
June 4, 1991.

THE DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE
THE ALBERTA TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

