



CANADA )  
PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN )  
TO WIT )

IN THE MATTER OF *THE LEGAL PROFESSION ACT, 1990*  
AND IN THE MATTER OF JONATHAN GOBY,  
A LAWYER OF ESTEVAN, SASKATCHEWAN

## Formal Complaint

I, MELANIE HODGES NEUFELD, of the City of Regina, in the Province of Saskatchewan, Complaints Counsel for the Law Society of Saskatchewan, do hereby certify that John Will, Vice-Chair of the Discipline Committee of the Benchers of the Law Society of Saskatchewan, has appointed a Hearing Committee pursuant to Section 47(1) of *The Legal Profession Act, 1990*, comprised of Victor Dietz Q.C., as Chair along with Debra Schmidt and Nicholas Cann to hear and determine a formal complaint set out by the Investigation Committee consisting of George Patterson and Evert Van Olst, pursuant to Section 46(1) of *The Legal Profession Act, 1990*, against JONATHAN GOBY, a lawyer and a member of The Law Society of Saskatchewan, carrying on the practice of law at all of the relevant times in the City of Estevan, in the Province of Saskatchewan, as follows:

THAT JONATHAN GOBY, of the City of Estevan, in the Province of Saskatchewan is guilty of conduct unbecoming a lawyer in that he:

1. did prepare, or cause to be prepared, false Affidavits of Value in relation to certain real estate transactions handled by his law office;

Reference Chapter 1 of the *Code of Professional Conduct*.

2. did commission false Affidavits of Value in relation to certain real estate transactions handled by his law office;

Reference Chapter 1 of the *Code of Professional Conduct*.

3. did mislead Information Services Corporation of Saskatchewan (ISC) by submitting Affidavits of Value which did not reflect the actual value of titles being transferred in relation to certain real estate transactions handled by his law office;

Reference Chapter 1 of the *Code of Professional Conduct*.

4. did, by submitting Affidavits of Value to ISC reflecting values less than the actual value of various titles, deprive ISC of fees to which it was entitled;

Reference Chapter 1 of the *Code of Professional Conduct*.

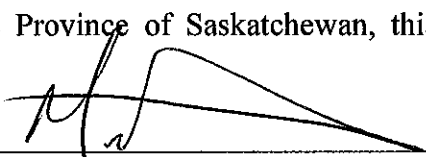
5. did, by submitting Affidavits of Value to ISC reflecting values less than the actual value of titles, reduce the amount of fees paid to ISC and retained all or part of the savings for his own financial benefit;

Reference Chapter 1 of the *Code of Professional Conduct*.

6. did withdraw funds from his trust account prior to those funds becoming properly payable to him in respect of a liability of his clients for fees, disbursements or other expenses;

Reference Law Society of Saskatchewan Rule 940(1)(c).

DATED at the City of Regina, in the Province of Saskatchewan, this 14 day of December, 2009.

  
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**MELANIE HODGES NEUFELD**  
Complaints Counsel for the Law Society of  
Saskatchewan