## Charge: Sending abusive text messages to another physician

You **Dr. Cornelius Spies** are guilty of unbecoming, improper, unprofessional, or discreditable conduct contrary to the provisions of section 46(o) and/or 46(p) of **The Medical Profession Act, 1981** s.s. 1980-81 c. M-10.10 and/or bylaw 7.1(c) and paragraph 31 and/or paragraph 52 of bylaw 7.1(g).

The evidence that will be led in support of this charge will include the following:

- a) On or about the 31st of March, 2013 you sent a text message to a physician.
- b) The text message sent on or about March 31, 2013 stated "does your wife know you fooling around with a married woman at work? fool around with your own kind!! you are a marked man for the rest of your life. watch your back. it is going to catch up with you before you know it- you are in the wrong crowd. you will never know when or where it will happen- you have been warned- leave town" or used words of similar meaning.
- c) On or about the 1st of April, 2013 you sent a second text message to the physician.
- d) The text message sent on or about April 1, 2013 stated "did you find anybody else to harass with your PERVERTED SEXUAL suggestions at work? Your wife and family will appreciate this and the CPSS I am sure."
- e) You did not identify yourself as the sender of the text messages.
- f) The text messages could reasonably have been interpreted by the physician as racist.
- g) The text messages could reasonably have been interpreted by the physician as threatening.
- h) The text messages could reasonably have been interpreted by the physician's spouse as threatening.