



STATEMENT ON COURT DECISION RELATED TO RONALD HARRY LATCH

Edmonton, AB – The Alberta College and Association of Chiropractors is aware that the Court of Queen’s Bench of Alberta ruled on the case of Her Majesty the Queen and Ronald Harry Latch on March 1, 2021.

With this criminal court decision, the Alberta College and Association of Chiropractors will be proceeding with formal professional discipline as outlined in the *Health Professions Act*.

The College cooperated fully with the Edmonton Police Service in their investigation that led to this criminal proceeding.

On August 23, 2019, the Alberta College and Association of Chiropractors placed conditions on Dr. Latch’s practice permit, and they are publicly available on the Alberta College and Association of Chiropractors website at <https://albertachiro.com/discipline-decisions>.

As of October 31, 2019, Dr. Latch ceased to be regulated member of the Alberta College and Association of Chiropractors and cannot practice chiropractic in the province.

Since 2007, the Alberta College and Association of Chiropractors has been governed by legislation passed by the Government of Alberta including the *Health Professions Act*. The legislation in force prior to 2007 does not allow the College to release information about pre-2007 investigations or discipline.

Since the enactment of changes to the *Health Professions Act*, known as Bill 21, the Alberta College and Association of Chiropractors has implemented all legislated requirements regarding sexual abuse and sexual misconduct.

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The Alberta College and Association of Chiropractors (ACAC) is both the professional association and regulatory college for the chiropractic profession in Alberta. As a self-regulating health profession under the Alberta Health Professions Act, the ACAC is committed to regulating the chiropractic profession in a manner that supports quality care and upholds the public trust. As the professional association, the ACAC furthers awareness, promotion, and understanding of the benefits of chiropractic care among Albertans, government, and other stakeholders.

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