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## **NOTICE**

### **Suspension**

On March 7, 2016, a Hearing Committee of the Law Society of Alberta found the conduct of **Andrew Geisterfer**, a member of the Law Society who lives and practices in Edmonton, Alberta, to be deserving of sanction on two citations.

The matters in which his conduct was found deserving of sanction included engaging in a business transaction with a client with respect to a numbered company of which they were both shareholders, where the client did not have independent legal representation, and where Mr. Geisterfer did not document his advice to the client that he should obtain independent legal advice and engaging in actions which were oppressive or which violated reasonable expectations of integrity.

The Hearing Committee ordered, pursuant to Section 72(1)(b) of the *Legal Profession Act* R.S.A. 2000, c. L-8, that Mr. Geisterfer be suspended for 60 days, the suspension to begin on March 23, 2016. The Hearing Committee also ordered Mr. Geisterfer to pay the actual costs of the application, in the estimated amount of \$5,682.60, to be paid within 60 days of being served the actual Statement of Costs.

During the period of Mr. Geisterfer's suspension, his client files will be handled by:

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