

**IN THE MATTER OF A HEARING REGARDING  
THE CONDUCT OF LUIS MORALES  
A MEMBER OF THE LAW SOCIETY OF ALBERTA**

**DISPOSITION SUMMARY – HE20170311**

Luis Morales accepted guilt on eight citations, namely:

1. It is alleged Jose Luis Morales failed to notify the Law Society of Alberta of being charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and careless driving and that such conduct is deserving of sanction;
2. It is alleged Jose Luis Morales engaged in conduct that brings dishonour and discredit to the profession and such conduct is deserving of sanction;
3. It is alleged Jose Luis Morales failed to competently perform all legal services undertaken on behalf of his client, A.M., and that such conduct is deserving of sanction;
4. It is alleged that Jose Luis Morales failed to provide his client, M.C., the final documents in her real estate matter despite her requests and that such conduct is deserving of sanction;
5. It is alleged that Jose Luis Morales failed to properly account to his client, M.C., and that such conduct is deserving of sanction;
6. It is alleged that Jose Luis Morales misappropriated the trust funds of his client, M.C., when he failed to deposit funds paid by her into his trust account and that such conduct is deserving of sanction;
7. It is alleged that Jose Luis Morales practiced law while he was not an active member of the Law Society of Alberta and that such conduct is deserving of sanction; and
8. It is alleged that Jose Luis Morales represented himself as a Barrister and Solicitor while he was not an active member of the Law Society of Alberta and that such conduct is deserving of sanction.

A Statement of Agreed Facts and Admission of Conduct Deserving of Sanction was accepted by the Hearing Committee pursuant to section 60(2) of the *Legal Profession Act*.

The Hearing Committee found Mr. Morales guilty of conduct deserving of sanction, imposed an 18-month suspension effective immediately and accepted the joint submission on costs of \$8,000.00 to be paid within 12 months of reinstatement. A Notice to the Profession will be issued.

This Disposition Summary will be replaced by the written Hearing Committee Report once the report is issued.