Chiropractor Ordered to Pay 100K Due to Anti-Vax Beliefs

Dena Churchill, a Canadian chiropractor formerly based in Halifax, Nova Scotia, has been ordered to pay 100,000 dollars as a settlement with the Nova Scotia College of Chiropractors (NSCC) due to her publically-expressed anti-vaccination views. Dr. Churchill has 10 years to pay the full amount, but the first 30,000 must be paid by the year 2022.

The investigation into Dr. Churchill began in May of 2018 and included posts from her personal website (then drsexymom, currently healthtruth.org) and thoughts expressed on a facebook page where she promotes herself as an “innovator in women’s health and wellness.” Dr. Churchill voluntarily gave up her chiropractors license in January of 2019 and admitted to being “professionally incompetent as a result of incompetence arising out of mental incapacity.” She reached a settlement with the NSCC in May. The last piece of the puzzle was the fees she has been ordered to pay to her regulating body.

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What She is Paying For

The majority of the fees Dr. Churchill has been ordered to pay are those incurred by the hearing committee. These include the costs of the actual investigation, the hearing committee, solicitor fees, and charges against the defendant. The final payment agreement amount of 100,000 dollars is a reduction of the 178,831.34 dollars in fees incurred by the NSCC during the course of this investigation, although the larger amount initially proposed does include a charge that Dr. Churchill had already settled.

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The NSCC hearing committee was quite firm in its condemnation of Dr. Churchill's behavior. In their decision, they wrote,

> *Dr. Churchill's conduct brought the profession of chiropractic into disrepute…Dr. Churchill has shown no remorse. There is genuine concern that she is ungovernable."*

As a member of a professional organization, Dr. Churchill is bound to the laws and regulations of that organization. She was asked multiple times to delete anti-vaccination posts from her social media accounts, an act that would have eliminated the need for this whole settlement had she done it. Now she's paying the price for standing by her beliefs.

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