

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ENGINEERS AND GEOSCIENTISTS ACT
R.S.B.C. 1996, CHAPTER 116**

and

IN THE MATTER OF AHMED RAZA SYED, P.Eng.

Association File No. T16-038

NOTICE OF INQUIRY

TO: **Ahmed Raza Syed, P.Eng.**

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TAKE NOTICE that a Panel of the Discipline Committee of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of the Province of British Columbia (the "Association"), doing business as Engineers and Geoscientists BC, will meet at 200-4010 Regent Street, Burnaby, British Columbia, on **November 27 and 28, 2018**, at the hour of **9:30 a.m.** for the purpose of taking evidence or otherwise causing an Inquiry to be made with respect to the allegations set out herein pursuant to the *Engineers and Geoscientists Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 116 (the "Act").

AND TAKE NOTICE that the allegations against you are as follows:

1. You have demonstrated unprofessional conduct or incompetence in respect of structural engineering services you performed for projects at ██████████, ██████████, ██████████, and ██████████ in the City of Abbotsford, British Columbia (together, the "Projects") by:
 - a. Issuing field review reports that were incorrect and which you knew or ought to have known to be incorrect; and
 - b. Failing to adequately document changes made during construction and to submit a record of those changes to the City of Abbotsford.
2. You have demonstrated negligence or incompetence in respect of structural engineering services you performed for the Projects by:

- a. Issuing design drawings and specifications which included missing, incorrect, and inadequate drawing details, in particular, in respect of foundations, joist sizing, and reinforcement of retaining walls;
 - b. Issuing sealed drawings with footings which had capacities which were inadequate for the holddown capacity; and
 - c. Issuing sealed drawings with holddowns which were incorrectly located.
3. You have demonstrated negligence or incompetence in respect of structural engineering services you performed for projects at [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] in the City of Abbotsford, British Columbia by issuing designs which included joists with dead load capacity insufficient to meet the specified design dead loads in your signed and sealed design criteria;
4. That you breached Bylaw 14(b) of the Bylaws of the Association in connection with your professional assignment on the Projects by:
 - a. Failing to retain adequate records of your assessments, designs, load calculations and other engineering and geoscience documents; and
 - b. Failing to retain adequate records of your field reviews during implementation and construction.
5. That you have demonstrated unprofessional conduct or incompetence by sealing drawings you did not create and were not professionally responsible for, specifically:
 - a. Section drawings for [REDACTED] sealed on May 20, 2015; and
 - b. TJI Framing plans for [REDACTED] sealed on December 9 and 14, 2015.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that you, Ahmed Raza Syed, P.Eng., have the right, at your own expense, to be represented by counsel at the inquiry by the Panel of the Discipline Committee and you or your counsel shall have the full right to cross-examine all witnesses called and to call evidence in defence and reply in answer to the allegations.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that in the event of your non-attendance at the inquiry, the Panel of the Discipline Committee may, upon proof of service of this Notice of Hearing upon you, proceed with the taking of evidence or otherwise ascertaining the facts concerning the allegation, despite your absence, and may make its findings on the facts and its decision without further notice to you.

DATED this 22nd day of August, 2018.

The Discipline Committee of the Association of
Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of the
Province of British Columbia.



Per: Paul Adams, P.Eng., FEC
Chair, Discipline Committee