



ENGINEERS &
GEOSCIENTISTS
BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE *PROFESSIONAL GOVERNANCE ACT*, S.B.C. 2018, c. 47

AND

IN THE MATTER OF DAVID TERENCE RUSSELL (FORMER LICENCE #: 21083)

ENGINEERS AND GEOSCIENTISTS BC FILE NO. SR24-012

REPRIMAND OR REMEDIAL ACTION BY CONSENT

Background

1. On July 31, 2025, the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of the Province of British Columbia, also operating as Engineers and Geoscientists BC, issued a Citation to David Russell, P.Eng. (“Mr. Russell”) pursuant to s. 66(1)(d) of the *Professional Governance Act*, S.B.C. 2018, c. 47 (the “PGA”).
2. While the allegations set out in the Citation are made under the *Engineers and Geoscientists Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 116 (the “EGA”), the EGA was repealed and replaced by the PGA on February 5, 2021. Accordingly, pursuant to sections 35(2) and 36(1)(c) of the *Interpretation Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 238, the procedure established by the PGA will be followed as far as it can be adapted in the proceeding related to the allegations set out in the Citation.
3. Engineers and Geoscientists BC and Mr. Russell wish to resolve this matter by means of a reprimand or remedial action by consent (“RRAC”) pursuant to section 72 of the PGA in order to avoid the need for a disciplinary hearing.
4. On November 26, 2025, Mr. Russell resigned his registration with Engineers and Geoscientists BC.

Agreed Facts

5. Mr. Russell agrees that he:
 - a. Signed and sealed a testimonial letter he wrote in or around September 2020 for [REDACTED] (the "Testimonial Letter"), in which he:
 - i. failed to note that he found numerous deviations from Version 3 of the Sewerage System Standard Practice Manual (the "Deviations") in three septic system soil reports and system designs (the "Filings") made by [REDACTED] that he reviewed and referenced in the Testimonial Letter;
 - ii. failed to disclose that he had a personal relationship with [REDACTED]; and
 - iii. commented that [REDACTED] "displays a superior understanding of geology and soils in his soils work" and that "this understanding more than meets the requirements of a professional practicing in on-site sewerage disposal" when Mr. Russell had no or limited education and training in geology.
 - b. Provided the Testimonial Letter to [REDACTED] for the purpose of responding to an Engineers and Geoscientists BC investigation regarding a complaint made against [REDACTED] that included the Filings.
6. Mr. Russell agrees that his conduct as outlined in paragraph 5, above constituted unprofessional conduct contrary to the *EGA*.

Disposition

7. Pursuant to section 72 of the *PGA* and sections 10.3(4) and 10.6.1 of the Bylaws, the Discipline Resolution Panel has requested and Mr. Russell has agreed to:
 - a. a reprimand for his conduct as described in paragraph 5.
8. Mr. Russell has resigned his registration with Engineers and Geoscientists BC and agrees that he will not re-apply for registration with Engineers and Geoscientists BC in the future.

Consequences of the RRAC

9. The full text of this RRAC will be published on the website of Engineers and Geoscientists BC.

10. Mr. Russell acknowledges that he has had the opportunity to receive independent legal advice concerning the contents of this RRAC.

11. Mr. Russell acknowledges that he has voluntarily entered into this RRAC and acknowledges that he fully understands the terms and conditions set out herein.

If Mr. Russell fails to comply with any of the terms of this RRAC, a citation may be issued for a discipline hearing into the matter, that may include the failure to comply with this RRAC.

12. This RRAC may be executed in counterparts and delivered as an electronic document.

This RRAC is effective as of the 29th day of January, 2026.

<original signed by>

David Russell

<original signed by>

Name of Witness

<original signed by>

Thomas Leung, P.Eng., Struct. Eng., FEC
Member, Discipline Resolution Panel

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Signature of Witness

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Rajib Ahsan, P.Eng.
Member, Discipline Resolution Panel

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Gerald Matier
Member, Discipline Resolution Panel