FORMAL ORDER
OF THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL LEGAL COUNCIL
COMPLAINT NO: 211/2017

IN THE MATTER OF DIANA SANG SCOTT VS GEORGE ANTHONY LEVY

AUG 08 2019

AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION ACT 1971

PANEL: Mrs. Ursula Khan

Mrs. Tana'ania Small Davis

Mr. Kevin Powell

SANCTION DECISION DELIVERED 27TH JULY 2019

UPON THE APPLICATION made under section 12 (1) (a) of the Legal Profession Act and dated the 21st June 2017 coming on for hearing before the Disciplinary Committee on the 28th July 2018, 19th February 2019, 28th February 2019 and 16th March 2019

AND UPON the Complainant Mrs. Diana Sang Scott appearing by Video Link and having given evidence on oath

AND UPON the Respondent Attorney-at-law Mr. George Levy not appearing

AND UPON DUE CONSIDERATION of the sworn evidence of the Complainant

AND UPON the Committee having found the Attorney-at-law Mr. George Levy guilty of professional misconduct on the 16th March 2019

AND UPON the Attorney having given the opportunity to make submissions in mitigation on sanction on the 27th July 2019 to no avail

THE COMMITTEE FINDS THAT:

Attorney George Levy is guilty of professional misconduct as per Canon 1(b) in that the Attorney having acted as both Executor and Attorney-at-law in the estate of Roy E. Sang and for the vendor in the sale of 27 Roehampton Drive, the Attorney has not provided the Complainant or her Attorney any accounts, nor has he paid her claim despite receipt of the releases as he agreed to do in exchange for the releases. In his capacity as Executor qua Attorney-at-law as a result of his dual role of Executor and Attorney for the Executor, the Attorney was duty bound to account to the estate for the net proceeds of sale of the deceased's real estate after deduction of expenses and any fees incidental to the sale.

The Complainant's claim remains unsettled, the estate has not been accounted for and beneficiaries have not been paid.

The Attorney has breached Canon 1(b) of the Legal Profession (Canons of Professional Ethics) Rules.

PURSUANT TO THE FOREGOING FINDINGS THE COMMITTEE UNANIMOUSLY HEREBY ORDERS THAT: -

Pursuant to section 12 (5) (a) of the Legal Profession Act:

- 1. The Attorney is fined the sum of \$500,000.00 which is to be paid into the office of the General Legal Council on or before 31st October 2019.
- 2. The Attorney is to pay on or before 30th September 2019 costs of \$260,000.00 of which \$60,000.00 is to the Complainant.

CHAIRMAN OF PANEL

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Dated 30th July 2019