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**FORMAL ORDER OF THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE OF  
THE GENERAL LEGAL COUNCIL  
MADE ON COMPLAINT ON COMPLAINT NO 146/2016**

**IN THE MATTER OF EUNICE HANSHAW VS LAUREN  
MARIE BOYD**

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION  
ACT 1971**

**PANEL: MR. JEROME LEE  
MR. CHRISTOPHER KELMAN  
MR. PIERRE ROGERS**

**DECISION DELIVERED ON THE 16<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2021**

**UPON THE APPLICATION** made under section 12 (1) (a) of the Legal Profession Act and dated the 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2016 along with supporting Affidavit sworn to on the 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2016 and coming on for hearing before the Disciplinary Committee on the 15<sup>th</sup> July 2017, 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2017, 10<sup>th</sup> February 2018, 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2018, 14<sup>th</sup> July 2018, 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018, 10<sup>th</sup> November 2018, 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019, 28<sup>th</sup> June 2019, 29<sup>th</sup> April 2021, 4<sup>th</sup> June 2021 and 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2021

**AND UPON** the Complainant Eunice Hanshaw appearing and having given sworn evidence on oath,

**AND UPON** the Attorney-at-law Lauren Marie Boyd (the Attorney) appearing and giving sworn evidence on oath,

**AND UPON DUE CONSIDERATION** of the sworn evidence of the Complainant and the Attorney coupled with documentary evidence,

**AND UPON** the Committee finding the Attorney guilty of professional misconduct on the 29<sup>th</sup> April 2021,

**AND UPON** the Attorney having made submissions in mitigation of sanction,

**THE COMMITTEE FINDS THAT:** The Attorney is guilty of professional misconduct pursuant to section 12(1)(a) of the Legal Profession Act in that:

1. The Attorney agreed to represent the Complainant in bringing a claim in respect of personal injuries suffered and expenses sustained in respect of a motor vehicle accident on February 25, 2006.


2. The Attorney failed to protect the Complainant's interest in bringing a claim, fully aware of the limitation period and the impact to her client's case if the limitation period expired without a claim being filed.

In the circumstances the Panel finds that the Attorney Lauren Marie Boyd has breached Canons IV (r) and IV(s) and 1(b) of the Legal Profession (Canons of Professional Ethics) Rules.

**PURSUANT TO THE FOREGOING FINDINGS THE COMMITTEE UNANIMOUSLY HEREBY ORDERED THAT: -**

Pursuant to Section 12 (4) of the Legal Profession Act:

1. The Attorney, Lauren Marie Boyd to pay a fine of \$300,150.00 to the General Legal Council within 30<sup>th</sup> days of this Order.
2. This fine is to be paid in full to the Complainant in full satisfaction of any damage caused her by the Attorney's misconduct.
3. The Attorney to pay costs of \$100,000.00 of which \$40,000.00 is to be paid to the Complainant and \$60,000.00 to the General Legal Council.



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**CHAIRMAN OF PANEL**

Dated 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021