

HEARING AID COUNCIL

PROCEEDINGS

Meeting of

DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

Fast-Track Disciplinary Hearing

held at

70 St Mary Axe
London EC3A 8BD
on

9 November 2007

PRESENT:

MR CHRIS HUGHES (Chair)

PROFESSOR NORMA BROOK
MR MIKE BISHOP
MR TONY CORCORAN
(Committee Members)

MRS JANET HAWTHORNE: Council's Solicitor
MR CHRIS O'LEARY: Deputy Registrar
MS AMICIE KNOWLES: Committee Administrator

Case of: MR GERARD C CONNOR

The respondent did not attend and was not represented.

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1 [D E C I S I O N]

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3 CHAIR: In this case, Mr Connor is charged with failure to carry out and record audiology
4 in circumstances where he re-prescribed a different hearing aid some four months
5 after the initial sale. It must be said that Mr Connor has very fairly acknowledged
6 his error and taken steps to ensure that his practice has improved. Because of this,
7 we take a more lenient view of the matter than we might in other circumstances and
8 we impose a sanction of £350, to be paid within 28 days.

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11 [C O S T S]

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13 CHAIR: The Committee awards costs in favour of the Hearing Aid Council of £1,000 to
14 be paid at the rate of £200 per month, the first instalment to be paid on or before 1
15 January, and the other subsequent four instalments on the first of each thereafter. In
16 the event that any payment is not paid on time, the entire sums becomes due and
17 payable immediately.

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19 [The hearing concluded]