No. S-242022 Vancouver Registry

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia

Between

## LAW SOCIETY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Petitioner

and

## SARON GEBRESELLASSI

Respondent

## ORDER MADE AFTER APPLICATION

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE	)	13 September 2024
MADAM JUSTICE SHARMA	)	•

ON THE APPLICATION of the petitioner coming on for hearing at Vancouver, British Columbia on 13 September 2024 and on hearing Gavin Hoekstra, counsel for the petitioner, and on hearing Daniel Freiheit, counsel for the respondent;

## THIS COURT ORDERS that:

- 1. BY CONSENT, until she becomes a member in good standing of the Law Society of British Columbia or obtains an interjurisdictional practice permit from the Law Society of British Columbia, Saron Gebresellassi is permanently prohibited and enjoined from engaging in the practice of law in British Columbia as defined in section 1 of the *Legal Profession Act*, S.B.C. 1998, c. 9, including:
  - (a) appearing as counsel or advocate;
  - (b) drawing, revising or settling
    - (i) a petition, memorandum, notice of articles or articles under the Business Corporations Act, or an application, statement, affidavit, minute, resolution, bylaw or other document relating to the incorporation, registration, organization, reorganization, dissolution or winding up of a corporate body;
    - (ii) a document for use in a proceeding, judicial or extrajudicial;
    - (iii) a will, deed of settlement, trust deed, power of attorney or a document

relating to a probate or a grant of administration or the estate of a deceased person;

- (iv) a document relating in any way to a proceeding under a statute of Canada or British Columbia;
- (v) an instrument relating to real or personal estate that is intended, permitted or required to be registered, recorded or filed in a registry or other public office;
- (c) doing an act or negotiating in any way for the settlement of, or settling, a claim or demand for damages;
- (d) agreeing to place at the disposal of another person the services of a lawyer;
- (e) giving legal advice;
- (f) making an offer to do anything referred to in paragraphs (a) to (e); and
- (g) making a representation that he is qualified or entitled to do anything referred to in paragraphs (a) to (e)

for or in the expectation of a fee, gain or reward, direct or indirect from the person for whom the acts are performed.

- 2. BY CONSENT, until she becomes a member in good standing of the Law Society of British Columbia or obtains an interjurisdictional practice permit from the Law Society of British Columbia, Saron Gebresellassi is permanently prohibited and enjoined from representing herself as being a lawyer or any other title that connotes that she is entitled or qualified to engage in the practice of law, without qualifying that she is an Ontario lawyer who cannot practice law in British Columbia.
- 3. BY CONSENT, until she becomes a member in good standing of the Law Society of British Columbia or obtains an interjurisdictional practice permit from the Law Society of British Columbia, Saron Gebresellassi is permanently prohibited and enjoined from commencing, prosecuting or defending a proceeding in any court in British Columbia, except if representing herself as an individual party to a proceeding, acting without counsel, solely on her own behalf.
- 4. BY CONSENT, there shall be no order as to costs.

5. BY CONSENT, the requirement for the signature of counsel for the respondent on this order is dispensed with.

THE FOLLOWING PARTIES APPROVE THE FORM OF THIS ORDER AND CONSENT TO EACH OF THE ORDERS, IF ANY, THAT ARE INDICATED ABOVE AS BEING BY CONSENT:

Signature of lawyer for the petitioner

GAVIN HOEKSTRA

By the Court.

Registrar