



ENGINEERS &  
GEOSCIENTISTS  
BRITISH COLUMBIA

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

and

IN THE MATTER OF JOHN BRITTAIN  
ENGINEERS AND GEOSCIENTISTS BC FILE NO. T19-051

**CONSENT ORDER**

**Background**

1. On April 7, 2022, the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of the Province of British Columbia, doing business as Engineers and Geoscientists BC, issued a Citation to Mr. Brittain, pursuant to section 66(1) *Professional Governance Act*, S.B.C. 2018, c. 47 (the “PGA”).
2. Engineers and Geoscientists BC and Mr. Brittain now wish to resolve this matter by way of a Consent Order.

**Legislation**

3. On February 5, 2021, the *Engineers and Geoscientists Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 116 (the “EGA”) was repealed and replaced by the *PGA*.
4. The conduct of Mr. Brittain took place at a time when the *EGA* was in force. As a result, the conduct in question is considered pursuant to section 33 of the *EGA*, and the *Bylaws* and *Code of Ethics* under the *EGA*.
5. Pursuant to sections 35(2) and 36(1)(c) the *Interpretation Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 238, investigations commenced under the *EGA* carry on procedurally under the *PGA*.

## Admissions

6. Mr. Brittain admits that on October 14, 2020, he pled guilty to and was convicted of the following four indictable offences:
  - a. On April 15, 2019, Mr. Brittain committed the second degree murder of ██████ contrary to s. 235(1) of the *Criminal Code*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-46 (the "*Criminal Code*");
  - b. On April 15, 2019, Mr. Brittain committed the first degree murder of ██████ contrary to s. 235(1) of the *Criminal Code*;
  - c. On April 15, 2019, Mr. Brittain committed the first degree murder of ██████ contrary to s. 235(1) of the *Criminal Code*; and
  - d. On April 15, 2019, Mr. Brittain committed the first degree murder of ██████ contrary to s. 235(1) of the *Criminal Code*.
7. Mr. Brittain further admits that pursuant to section 33(1)(a) of the *EGA*, the nature and circumstances of the offences of which he was convicted, as listed in paragraph 6, renders him unsuitable for registration or licensing.

## Disposition

8. By consent, this Consent Order is made pursuant to section 73 of the *PGA*.
9. Mr. Brittain's registration in Engineers and Geoscientists BC is cancelled.

## Consequences of the Consent Order

10. The full text of this Consent Order will be published on the website of Engineers and Geoscientists BC, and a summary will be published in print and electronic publications, including in public communications.
11. This Consent Order has the same force and effect as an Order made under section 75 of the *PGA*.
12. Mr. Brittain agrees that Engineers and Geoscientists BC has advised him that he should receive independent legal advice regarding this Consent Order and that Engineers and Geoscientist BC has provided him with the opportunity to obtain independent legal advice regarding this Consent Order.

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13. Mr. Brittain and Engineers and Geoscientists BC agree that this Consent Order may be executed in counterparts and delivered as an electronic document.

This Consent Order is approved and accepted by Mr. Brittain and the members of the Discipline Resolution Panel this 21 day of November, 2022.

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John Brittain

E. Zrevelych  
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Name of Witness

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