



**FORMAL  
OF THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL LEGAL COUNCIL**

**COMPLAINT NO: 186/2010**

**IN THE MATTER OF FRANK PHIPPS, Q.C. VS  
RAYMOND CLOUGH**

**AND**

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

**PANEL: MRS MARGARETTE MACAULAY  
MRS. URSULA KHAN  
MR. TREVOR HO-LYN**

**DECISION DELIVERED 26<sup>th</sup> JULY, 2019**

**UPON THE APPLICATION** made under section 12 (1) (a) of the Legal Profession Act and dated the 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2010 and the Affidavit sworn to on the 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2010 and coming on for hearing before the Disciplinary Committee on the 30 November, 2013, 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2014\*; 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2014\*; 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2014\*, 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2014; 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2015; 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2015\*; 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2015, 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2015\*, 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2015\*, 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2015; 19<sup>th</sup> September, 2015; 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2015, 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2015\*, 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2016, 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2016\*, 9<sup>th</sup> July, 2016; 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2016, 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2016, 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2016\*, 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2018; 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2018\*, 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2018\*, (\*Evidence taken)

**AND UPON** the Respondent Attorney-at-law Raymond Clough appearing with his Counsel Abraham Dabdoub and Nicola Murray and having given evidence on oath

**AND UPON** the Complainant Frank Phipps, Q.C. appearing with his Counsel Richard Small, Donna Scott-Mottley and Georgia Buckley and having given evidence on oath

**AND UPON DUE CONSIDERATION** of the sworn evidence of Raymond Clough and the evidence of Frank Phipps, Q.C. coupled with submissions of Counsels for and on behalf of the Complainant and the Respondent

**AND UPON** the Committee having found the Attorney-at-law Raymond Clough guilty of professional misconduct on the 11<sup>th</sup> May, 2019

**AND UPON** Counsel for the Complainant having made written and oral submissions in relation to the issue of sanctions and Counsel for the Respondent having also made oral submissions in mitigation on the 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2019

**THE COMMITTEE FINDS THAT:**

Attorney Raymond Clough is guilty of professional misconduct in that, the Attorney was found guilty of inexcusable and deplorable negligence contrary to Canon IV of the Canons of Professional Ethics Rules as the Attorney having been retained by the Complainant to apply for the modification of restrictive covenants with regard to two parcels of land, failed to do so, by allowing a law student to hold himself out as an attorney-at-law thereby deceiving members of the public which in and of itself is dishonest conduct , in contravention of section 8 of the Legal Profession Act.

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

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

1. The Attorney Raymond Clough is suspended from practice for a period of one year commencing 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2019.
2. The Attorney Raymond Clough is to pay the sum of \$850,000.00 to the General Legal Council on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2019 and from that sum the amount of \$400,000.00. is to be paid to the Complainant.



CHAIRMAN OF PANEL

Dated 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2019