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DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE INQUIRY FOR DR YEE YING CHOON

- 1. The Singapore Dental Council ("SDC") held a Disciplinary Inquiry against a dentist, one Dr Yee Ying Choon ("Dr Yee"), on 23rd February 2017.
- 2. The SDC preferred 1 charge against her for gross negligence amounting to professional misconduct, for failing to take cognizance of the fact that her patient was allergic to nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, prescribing a drug which her patient was allergic to on 5th January 2015 after a procedure, and causing the said patient to suffer harm as a result of his allergic reaction.
- 3. Dr Yee pleaded guilty to the charge, and her plea-in-mitigation was taken. The Disciplinary Committee ("**DC**") also noted that the harm caused to the patient could potentially have been fatal.
- 4. Accordingly, and on the same day on 23rd February 2017, the DC ordered that Dr Yee be fined \$7,000, be censured, and to pay the costs and expenses of and incidental to the proceedings, including the costs of the solicitors to the SDC and the Legal Assessor.
- 5. Dr Yee has 30 days from the day of service of the DC's orders to appeal to the High Court against the order.

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