MARGARET RUTH YOUNG

Vancouver, B.C. Called to the Bar: September 13, 1973

The Law Society wrote to the member on August 20, 1985 requesting her explanation of a particular matter and sent a reminder letter on September 12. Five days later the member wrote to the Society stating that she had not received the August 20 letter. A copy of that letter was provided to the member on September 27.

On October 30 the Society made further inquiries of the member and requested a response to earlier correspondence. Follow-up letters were sent on November 22 and December 6 but no reply was received. The member assured the Law Society staff on December 11 that she would forward her response within a week. A letter was sent to the member by courier on January 13, 1986 requesting a response by return courier but no response was received until February 3.

The member admitted that her conduct in failing unreasonably to respond promptly to the Law Society correspondence constituted professional misconduct.

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