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Howard Raymond Berge, QC

Kelowna, BC

Called to the bar: may 12, 1967

Bench Review : October 12, 2006

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Howard Berge has abandoned his appeal of his discipline case. In January 2007, the Benchers upheld a hearing panel's ruling that Berge's conduct while being investigated by police following a car accident constituted conduct unbecoming a lawyer. The Benchers also upheld the penalty of a reprimand, a one-month suspension and partial costs [see: *Law Society of BC v. Berge* 2007 LSBC 07]. Berge appealed the ruling to the BC Court of Appeal, but has now abandoned the appeal. Berge ceased practising in June 2006 and is now a retired member of the Law Society.