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## FINDINGS OF COURT OF ENQUIRY 1212 HELD TO INVESTIGATE ALLEGATIONS OF MISCONDUCT BY MEDICAL SERVICE PROVIDER AND MSA-LICENSED CHIEF MEDICAL COORDINATOR BERTUS PRINSLOO

The court of enquiry was convened at MSA head office at 11h00 on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

Present:

:	Mr Richard Shuttle Ms Mande Toubkin Mr Vaughn Williams	- -	Court President Court Member Court Member
	Dr Pankil Patel Mr Rudi Pretorius Ms Jacqui Monteiro Mr Rashaad Monteiro	- - -	VP Medical Panel & Complainant (via Skype) MSA NR Medical Representative MSA Operations Manager MSA Medical Coordinator

Mr Bertus Prinsloo chose not to attend the hearing and therefore it went ahead in his absence (as provided for in GCR 220).

The court president opened the proceedings and introduced the court members. There were no objections to the composition of the court.

The court heard submissions from Dr Patel and Mr Pretorius regarding their interactions with Mr Prinsloo on the day in question, as well as from Ms Monteiro and Mr Monteiro regarding communications that had taken place between MSA and Mr Prinsloo in the weeks preceding the event.

Adequate documentary information had been supplied to support the verbal testimony provided.

## FINDINGS

The court finds as follows:

Mr A.L Prinsloo, MSA Licence CMC083/17, was guilty of contravening GCR 172 (iv) in as • far as he was verbally abusive and acted in an intimidating manner towards MSA medical officials Dr Pankil Patel (MSA Medical Panel Vice President) and Mr Rudi Pretorius (MSA

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Northern Regions Medical Representative) at T Bone Racing's motorcycle enduro event held on 24 February 2018 (MSA permit number 15268).

- The information provided by Mr Prinsloo on the MSA Medical Compliance form did not correspond to the actual vehicle or services on the day of the event, which is problematic at best and would constitute a fraudulent act in contravention of GCR 172 (iii) if done intentionally. In Mr Prinsloo's absence, no evidence could be obtained from him regarding intent, or otherwise, and therefore the court makes no finding in this regard.
- The BHF number 0900842, as provided on the compliance form, is not registered to Mr Prinsloo.
- Mr Prinsloo's conduct, as reported, has brought MSA, his profession and the MSA medical fraternity into disrepute.

In view of the above, the court makes the following rulings:

- 1. Mr Prinsloo's MSA Chief Medical Coordinator (CMC) licence is to be withdrawn with immediate effect and can only be re-applied for no sooner than five (5) years from the date of this hearing, at which time he must attend the full MSA medical course and write the CMC exam.
- 2. Dr Patel and Mr R Pretorius should, as per the HPCSA guidelines, report Mr Prinsloo to this body (HPCSA) for his unprofessional conduct towards a fellow medical practitioner and his refusal as the event medical service provider to attend to an injured spectator.
- 3. MSA should ensure that all MSA-sanctioned events are made aware of the withdrawal of the CMC licence of Mr Prinsloo.
- 4. Mr. Prinsloo is ordered to pay court costs in the amount of R1000-00.

The court records that it takes a very dim view of Mr Prinsloo's failure to attend this hearing (despite the best efforts of the MSA Medical Coordinator to accommodate his schedule), thereby denying the court the benefit of hearing his version of events.

Mr. Prinsloo is reminded of his rights in terms of the provisions of GCR 212B.

The court proceedings were concluded at 11h55.

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