

IN THE MATTER OF the NOVA SCOTIA REVIEW BOARD

AND IN THE MATTER OF the accused, ADAM CHRISTOPHER ATKINSON

AND IN THE MATTER OF a hearing held pursuant to section 672.81(1) and section 672.81 (2.1) of the Criminal Code

DISPOSITION ORDER

WHEREAS on 19th of November 2003, the accused was found not criminally responsible on account of mental disorder on charges of assault (three counts), contrary to section 266 of the Criminal Code; charges of mischief (two counts), contrary to section 430(4) of the Criminal Code; charges of uttering threats (two counts), contrary to section 264(1)(b) of the Criminal Code; and a charge of taking a motor vehicle, contrary to section 335(1) of the Criminal Code. Mr. Atkinson was further found not criminally responsible on account of mental disorder on June 16, 2009, on two counts of assault, contrary to section 266 of the Criminal Code and a breach of probation, contrary to section 733.1(1)(a) of the Criminal Code;

AND WHEREAS the accused is currently detained at the East Coast Forensic Hospital on a previously granted Conditional Discharge;

AND WHEREAS a hearing was held on the 12th day of April 2022 to make a Disposition Order pursuant to section 672.54 of the Criminal Code;

AND WHEREAS the East Coast Forensic Hospital is designated for the custody, treatment or assessment of the accused, in respect of whom an assessment order, disposition or placement decision is made;

IT IS ORDERED THAT the accused continue to be conditionally discharged, on the following terms:

1. Keep the peace and be of good behaviour;
2. Maintain good mental health;

3. Adhere to the recommendations of the Community Mental Health Team;
4. Comply with follow-up by the Forensic Community Program;
5. Comply with conditions recommended by the Forensic Community Program;
6. Abstain from alcohol, cannabis and/or illicit drugs and comply with random urine drug screening;
7. Reside in the premises approved by the East Coast Forensic Hospital and abide by the rules and regulations of the residence;
8. Notify the Review Board and the East Coast Forensic Hospital of any change of address;
9. Appear before the Board when requested; and
10. Remain within the Province of Nova Scotia unless authorization in writing has been received from the Board.

The Board finds that the hospital was justified in restricting the liberties of Mr. Atkinson.

THIS IS THEREFORE TO COMMAND YOU, the Director, Mental Health Program, Nova Scotia Health Authority, in Her Majesty's name, to execute the terms of this Order. The Board delegates to them the authority to increase or decrease the liberties of the accused pursuant to section 672.56(1).

DATED at Halifax, this 17th day of April 2022.


Anne Jackman, Chairperson
NOVA SCOTIA REVIEW BOARD

TO: the accused, Adam Christopher Atkinson
AND TO: Director, Mental Health Program, Nova Scotia Health Authority
AND TO: Public Prosecution Service
AND TO: Kelly Ryan, counsel for Mr. Atkinson