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Discipline

Discipline Penalties imposed on Hugh Damian Bagnell – Violation of By-law 19.5

Person Disciplined	The Nova Scotia District Council of the Investment Dealers Association of Canada has imposed discipline penalties on Hugh Damian Bagnell, at the relevant time a Registered Representative Options with the Halifax office of RBC Dominion Securities Inc., a Member of the Association.
By-laws, Regulations, Policies Violated	Following a hearing on November 26, 2003, the Nova Scotia District Council found that Mr. Bagnell violated Association By-law 19.5 by failing to attend and give information in respect of an investigation being conducted by the Association's Enforcement Department.
Penalty Assessed	The discipline penalties assessed against Mr. Bagnell are a permanent prohibition on approval in any capacity, a fine of \$50,000 and costs of \$11,700 payable to the Association.
Summary of Facts	<p>The Association commenced an investigation into Mr. Bagnell's conduct while he was employed at RBC Dominion Securities Inc. Mr. Bagnell was notified of the investigation by letters dated March 20, 2003 and May 16, 2003.</p> <p>The investigator spoke with Mr. Bagnell on June 19, 2003. At that time Mr. Bagnell would not agree on a date to be interviewed, but indicated that he would contact the investigator the following week. Mr. Bagnell did not do so, nor did he return telephone messages requesting that he contact the investigator.</p> <p>By letter dated July 4, 2003, Mr. Bagnell was advised that he was required to attend and answer the Association's questions at an interview scheduled for July 23rd, 2003, in Halifax. Mr. Bagnell did not respond to the July 4th letter, nor did Mr. Bagnell attend at the scheduled interview on July 23rd.</p> <p>At the hearing on November 26th, 2003, the Nova Scotia District Council determined that Mr. Bagnell's conduct constituted a violation of Association By-law 19.5. The</p>

panel reserved its decision on penalty and on December 12, 2003, the District Council assessed the above penalties against Mr. Bagnell. The panel found that Mr. Bagnell's violation of By-law 19.5 was a very serious matter given the numerous allegations set forth in the Notice of Hearing.

Mr. Bagnell did not attend at the hearing on November 26th and has not been registered with the Association since January 8, 2003.

Kenneth A. Nason
Association Secretary