

Transcribed Order of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice

Court File Number CV-21-659962

Applicant: Law Society of Ontario

And

Respondents: Martin Lazi and Walker Legal Advisers Inc.

Signed by the Honourable Justice W. Black

Dated Monday, the 13th day of September, 2021

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Application under Rule 14.05(2) of the *Rules of Civil Procedure* and s. 26.3 of the *Law Society Act*.

Order

This Application, made by the Applicant the Law Society of Ontario (“LSO”) for a permanent injunction against the Respondents pursuant to section 26.3 of the *Law Society Act*, RSO 1990, c. L.8, was heard this day by video-conference in the presence of the lawyer for the LSO and Martin Lazi, appearing on his own behalf and on behalf of Walker Legal Advisers Inc.,

On reading the Application Record, Supplementary Application Record and Factum of Law Society of Ontario (“LSO”), and on hearing the submissions of counsel for LSO and Mr. Lazi,

1. This Court orders that the Respondents, Martin Lazi (“Lazi”), Walker Legal Advisers Inc. (“WLA”), and any other business or business entity they presently control or may in the future control, are permanently enjoined from representing or holding out, directly or indirectly, to members of the public that they are entitled to provide legal services or to practise law in Ontario contrary to section 26.1 of the *Law Society Act*, R.S.O. 1990 c.L.8 as amended.
2. This Court orders that Walker Legal Advisers Inc. shall within thirty (30) days of this order be renamed so as not to reference or allude in any manner to the law or legal services.
3. This Court orders that the Respondents shall within seven (7) days of the date of this Order remove, delete, destroy or otherwise dispose of all existing promotional material or statements in any print or online media dealing with the provision of legal services to the public by WLA whatsoever, including but not limited to:
 - a) any social media accounts created, operated or in the control of the Respondents, including the existing accounts on Twitter (@walker_legal),

Instagram (@walkerlegaladvisers), and Facebook (@walkerlegaladvisers); and,

- b) any and all information on any website for Walker Legal Advisers Inc., including www.walkerlegaladvisers.ca, that directly or indirectly offers and/or promotes the provision of legal services to the public, including but not limited to legal advice.

4. This Court orders that the Respondents shall within seven (7) days of the date of this Order make a written request for the removal of client reviews that indicate or represent that the Respondents have provided or are authorized to provide legal services to the public, including on sites with the domain name www.google.com, and shall copy counsel for the LSO on all such written requests.

5. This Court orders that the Respondents shall include in all written or electronic correspondence purporting to be from WLA or its successor corporation, in a clearly visible location in no smaller than 14 point font, the following statement:

Martin Lazi is not a lawyer, and Walker Legal Advisers Inc. [or its successor corporation] is not a law firm. They are not licensed or authorized by the Law Society of Ontario to practice law, or to provide legal services in Ontario to members of the public.

6. This Court orders that LSO may in its discretion publish this Order in such media as it deems appropriate.

7. This court orders that the Respondents may be served with a copy of this Order and any future documents required to be served pursuant to the *Rules of Civil Procedure* by email at info@walkerlegaladvisers.ca or by mail, are of Lazi Ventures Inc., at the following address:

1454 Dundas Street East, Suite #123
Mississauga, Ontario L4X 1L4

8. This Court orders that the Respondents shall pay the LSO's costs of this Application in the amount of \$6,779.95, inclusive of disbursements and HST, within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order.

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Title of Proceedings: Law Society of Ontario (Applicant) and Martin Lazi et al. (Respondents)

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