

GENERAL DENTAL COUNCIL

AND

McCANN, Eamonn Patrick Edward

[Registration number: 56680]

NOTICE OF INQUIRY

SUBSTANTIVE HEARING

Notice that an inquiry will be conducted by a Practice Committee of the General Dental Council, at:

**The General Dental Council
37 Wimpole Street
London
W1G 8DQ**

Commencing at **9:30 am on 09:30**

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| Committee Members: | Sue Stevens | (Lay) (Chair) |
| | Alastair Smith | (Dentist) |
| | Kate Nash | (DCP) |
| Legal Adviser: | David Mason | |

CHARGE

McCANN, Eamonn Patrick Edward, a dentist, BDS Queen's University of Belfast 1982, is summoned to appear before the Professional Conduct Committee on 14 January 2020 for an inquiry into the following charge:

"That, being registered as a dentist:

Witness A

Inappropriate comments

1. On an occasion between 1990 and 1994, you said to witness A "you don't expect me to believe that you were on holiday with your boyfriend and didn't have sex" or words to that effect.
2. Your conduct at charge 1 above was
 - a. inappropriate
 - b. sexually motivated
3. On one or more occasions between 1990 and 1994, you asked witness A how she kept her figure, or words to that effect.
4. Your conduct at charge 3 above was
 - a. inappropriate
 - b. sexually motivated

Kissing on the cheek

5. On an occasion in or around one Christmas between 1990 and 1994, you kissed witness A on the cheek.
6. Your conduct in respect of charge 3 above was
 - a. inappropriate
 - b. sexually motivated

Touching her leg

7. On one or more occasions between 1990 and 1994, you touched witness A's leg with your hand and/or fingers.
8. In relation to charge 7 above,
 - a. witness A was not consenting
 - b. you did not reasonably believe that witness A was consenting
9. Your conduct in respect of charges 7 and/or 8 was:
 - a. inappropriate
 - b. sexually motivated

Touching her vagina over clothing

10. On one or more occasions between 1990 and 1994, you touched witness A's vagina over clothing with your hand and/or fingers.

11. In relation to charge 10 above,
 - a. witness A was not consenting
 - b. you did not reasonably believe that witness A was consenting
12. Your conduct in respect of charges 11 and/or 12 was:
 - a. inappropriate
 - b. sexually motivated

Touching her vagina under clothing

13. On one or more occasions between 1990 and 1994, you touched witness A's vagina under clothing with your hand and/or fingers.
14. In relation to charge 13 above,
 - a. witness A was not consenting
 - b. you did not reasonably believe that witness A was consenting
15. Your conduct in respect of charges 13 and/or 14 was:
 - a. inappropriate
 - b. sexually motivated

Digital penetration

16. On one or more occasions between 1990 and 1994, you intentionally penetrated witness A's vagina with your fingers.
17. In relation to charge 16 above,
 - a. witness A was not consenting
 - b. you did not reasonably believe that witness A was consenting
18. Your conduct in respect of charges 16 and/or 17 was:
 - a. inappropriate
 - b. sexually motivated

Pressing crotch area against her

19. On an occasion between 1990 and 1994, you pressed your crotch area against witness A.
20. In relation to charge 19 above,
 - a. witness A was not consenting
 - b. you did not reasonably believe that witness A was consenting
21. Your conduct in respect of charges 19 and/or 20 was:
 - a. inappropriate
 - b. sexually motivated

Attempting to have sex with her

22. On an occasion between 1990 and 1994, you intentionally attempted to penetrate the vagina of witness A with your penis.

23. In relation to charge 22 above,
 - a. witness A was not consenting
 - b. you did not reasonably believe that witness A was consenting
24. Your conduct in respect of charge 22 and/or 23 above was
 - a. inappropriate
 - b. sexually motivated

Witness B

Pressing crotch against her

25. On 17 September 2015, you pressed your crotch area against witness B.
26. In relation to charge 25 above,
 - a. witness B was not consenting
 - b. you did not reasonably believe that witness B was consenting
27. Your conduct in respect of charge 25 and/or 26 above was
 - a. inappropriate
 - b. sexually motivated

Touching her leg

28. On 1 October 2015, you touched witness B's leg.
29. In relation to charge 28 above,
 - a. witness B was not consenting
 - b. you did not reasonably believe that witness B was consenting
30. Your conduct in respect of charge 28 and/or 29 was:
 - a. inappropriate
 - b. sexually motivated

Touching her vagina over clothing

31. On 1 October 2015, you touched witness B's vagina over clothing with your hand and/or fingers.
32. In relation to charge 31 above,
 - a. witness B was not consenting
 - b. you did not reasonably believe that witness B was consenting
33. Your conduct in respect of charge 31 and/or 32 was:
 - a. inappropriate
 - b. sexually motivated

Touching her bottom and/or lower back

34. On 1 October 2015, you touched witness B's bottom and/or lower back.
35. In relation to charge 34 above,

- a. witness B was not consenting
 - b. you did not reasonably believe that witness B was consenting
36. Your conduct in respect of charge 34 and/or 35 was:
- a. inappropriate
 - b. sexually motivated

Caution/Notification of Charge

37. You failed to immediately inform the General Dental Council that you were charged on 15 October 2015 with sexual assault.
38. Your conduct in respect of allegation 37 was:
- a. Misleading,
 - b. Dishonest
39. On 11 September 2017 at Dungannon Police Station in County Tyrone, you were cautioned by the police for common assault.

AND that by reason of the facts alleged, your fitness to practise is impaired by reason of misconduct and/or caution.”