

IN THE MATTER OF the Nova Scotia Criminal Code Review Board

AND IN THE MATTER OF the accused, Aidan Ponee

AND IN THE MATTER OF a hearing held pursuant to s. 672.81(1) (Annual Hearing) of the *Criminal Code of Canada*.

DISPOSITION ORDER

WHEREAS on August 25, 2022, the accused was found *Not Criminally Responsible on account of a mental disorder* on a charge of Assault with a Weapon, contrary to Section 267(a) of the *Criminal Code of Canada* and further on a charge of Possession of a Weapon contrary to Section 88(1) of the *Criminal Code of Canada* and further on a charge of Resists / Obstructs Peace Officer contrary to Section 129(a) of the *Criminal Code of Canada*.

AND WHEREAS the accused is presently residing in the community.

AND WHEREAS a hearing was held at the East Coast Forensic Hospital on the 3rd day of December 2024 and 7th day of January, 2025 to make a Disposition Order pursuant to s. 672.54 of the *Criminal Code of Canada*.

AND WHEREAS the East Coast Forensic Psychiatric 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;
10. Remain within the Province of Nova Scotia unless authorization in writing has been received from the Board.

Note: This order contains an additional alcohol prohibition that was not contained in prior conditions.

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the accused is arrested pursuant to section 672.91 of the Criminal Code for a breach or anticipated breach of the terms of this disposition, they may, under section 672.92(1)(b) of the Criminal Code, be delivered to the East Coast Forensic Hospital, 88 Gloria McCluskey Avenue, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia.

THIS IS THEREFORE TO COMMAND YOU, the Director, Mental Health Program, Nova Scotia Health Authority, in His 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 31 day of January, 2025.



Raffi Balmanoukian, Chairperson
NOVA SCOTIA REVIEW BOARD

TO: the accused, Aidan Ponee
AND TO: Director, Mental Health Program, Nova Scotia Health Authority
AND TO: Public Prosecution Service
AND TO: Bruce Muir, counsel for the accused