

IN THE MATTER OF the Nova Scotia Criminal Code Review Board

AND IN THE MATTER OF the accused, **Paul Starratt**

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

DISPOSITION ORDER

WHEREAS on the 29th of May 2023, the accused was found *Not Criminally Responsible on account of a mental disorder* on charges of: **Assaulting a Peace Officer** contrary to s. 270(2); and on a charge of **Fail to Comply with Recognizance** contrary to s. 145(3); and on a charge of **At Large on Confirmed Undertaking** contrary to s. 145(4)(b); and on a charge of **Assault on Peace Officer with Weapon** contrary to s. 270.01(1)(a) x2; and on a charge of **Resists/Obstructs Peace Officer** contrary to s. 129(a); and on a charge of **Mischief** contrary to s. 430(4); and on a charge of **At Large on Release Order Fails to Comply with Condition** contrary to s. 145(5)(a); and on a charge of **At Large on Release Order Fail to Attend** contrary to s. 145(2) of the *Criminal Code of Canada*.

AND WHEREAS the accused is presently detained at the East Coast Forensic Psychiatric Hospital, but with weekly overnights to the community

AND WHEREAS a hearing was held at the East Coast Forensic Psychiatric Hospital on the 16th day of July 2023, 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 be discharged absolutely. The Board further declares that the consent Restriction of Liberties before the Board was justified.

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.

DATED at Halifax, this  day of July, 2025



Raffi Balmanoukian, Chairperson
NOVA SCOTIA REVIEW BOARD

TO: the accused, Paul Christopher Starratt
AND TO: Director, Mental Health Program, Nova Scotia Health Authority
AND TO: Public Prosecution Service
AND TO: Kelly Ryan, counsel for the accused