

**IN THE MATTER OF the NOVA SCOTIA REVIEW BOARD
AND IN THE MATTER OF the accused, Scott Allen Williams
AND IN THE MATTER OF a hearing held pursuant to Section 672.81(1) (Annual
Hearing) and Section 672.81(2.1) (Restriction of Liberties) of the Criminal Code**

DISPOSITION ORDER

WHEREAS on the 2nd day of December, 2022, the accused was found not criminally responsible on account of a mental disorder on charges of attempted murder contrary to s. 239(1) of the Criminal Code of Canada, and of aggravated assault contrary to s. 268(1) of the Criminal Code of Canada; of uttering threats to cause death or bodily harm contrary to s. 246.1(1)(a) of the Criminal Code of Canada; and of mischief contrary to s. 430(4) of the Criminal Code of Canada.

AND WHEREAS the accused is residing currently at Unit B, East Coast Forensic Hospital, 88 Gloria McClusky Avenue, Dartmouth, NS but otherwise resides in the community;

AND WHEREAS a hearing was held on February 3, 2026 to make a Disposition Order pursuant to section 672.81(1) of the Criminal Code;

AND WHEREAS the East Coast Forensic 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 detained at the said hospital with a Board community access ceiling level of L6 as currently defined. It is further ordered that the accused:

1. Have no indirect or direct contact with the victim in this matter, Kelly Desmond, without prior written authorization from the Community Mental Health Team ("CMHT");
2. Forthwith inform CMHT of any romantic or intimate partner relationships.

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).

The board also finds that the restriction of liberties contained in the report dated May 28, 2025 was justified.

DATED at Halifax, this 23 day of February, 2026



Raffi Balmanoukian, Chairperson
NOVA SCOTIA REVIEW BOARD

TO: the accused, Scott Allen Williams
AND TO: Director, Mental Health Program, Nova Scotia Health Authority
AND TO: Public Prosecution Service
AND TO: Kelly Ryan, counsel for Scott Allen Williams