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Dear Mr. Ross:

Re: Dr. James McCleary

I am counsel to the College of Veterinarians of Ontario. Your most recent request for disclosure of the name of the person who brought Dr. McCleary's advertisement to its attention has been referred to me for reply.

The College will not be disclosing the name of that person to Dr. McCleary.

The identity of that person is not required in order for Dr. McCleary to respond to the College's inquiry about the advertisement. That was made abundantly clear by your fulsome submissions of November 10, 2016, in which you set out Dr. McCleary's position as to why his advertising does not contravene any College rules. As Dr. McCleary has been able to make full submissions about his advertisement, no denial of natural justice or fairness can be seen to arise from the College not providing the person's name.

This is not a case where the credibility or motivation of the person who brought the advertising to the College's attention is relevant in order for Dr. McCleary to respond. Dr. McCleary's advertisement speaks for itself and indeed you enclosed a copy of it in your letter of November 10, 2016. The College has already advised Dr. McCleary how its attention was drawn to his advertisement – in the course of investigating another member, that member referred to the advertisements of numerous other members, including Dr. McCleary.

The College will not be providing the name for these reasons as well as for the reasons set out in the previous correspondence of Ms. Robinson, including the fact that there is no longer an ongoing investigation involving Dr. McCleary.

If Dr. McCleary wishes to bring an application for judicial review he is, of course, free to do that.

Yours very truly,

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