



ONTARIO WORKING GROUP ON CRIMINAL LAW + HIV EXPOSURE



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James L. Cornish
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Dear Mr. Cornish:

Re: Criminal law and HIV

We write in response to your letter of December 20, 2013. While we have serious concerns with the process proposed, the undersigned accept your offer to review the content of the draft Practice Memorandum regarding non-disclosure of sexually transmitted infections.

We would like to express our dismay at the Ministry of the Attorney General's lack of transparency and engagement with the HIV community on this issue over the past four years.

Please find attached the requisite signed undertakings. Further to your letter, we understand that we will have two weeks to review the document before we meet with Howard Leibovich, Director Crown Law Office – Criminal and Rosella Cornaviera, Deputy Director, Criminal Policy Group.

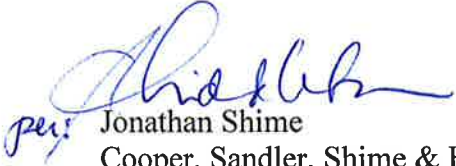
Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Ryan Peck
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Co-Chair, Ontario Working Group on Criminal Law and HIV Exposure



per: Jonathan Shime
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Enclosures

Undertaking signed by Richard Elliott
Undertaking signed by Ryan Peck
Undertaking signed by Jonathan Shime

cc: The Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario
The Honourable John Gerretsen, Attorney General