

BEFORE THE PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT COMMITTEE OF THE
ROYAL COLLEGE OF VETERINARY SURGEONS

RCVS

v

DR ALBERTO GIACOMO FIOLETTI MRCVS (Respondent)

DECISION OF THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE ON FINDING OF FACTS

The Committee's Task

1. At this Stage of the Hearing it is for the Committee to decide whether it is satisfied that the Charge laid against the Respondent has been proved and proved to the extent that the Committee is sure of that Conviction.

The Documentation in Evidence before the Committee

2. On 8 December 2023, at the Bournemouth Crown Court, the Respondent was tried for the offence of Murder. He pleaded guilty to the offence of manslaughter on the grounds of diminished responsibility. The Prosecution did not accept that plea and he was tried for the more serious offence of Murder. He was convicted by a Jury of that offence. On 15 January 2024 at the Bournemouth Crown Court, the Respondent was sentenced to life imprisonment, with a minimum term of fifteen years.
3. The Committee has seen the certificate of conviction which appears at page 10pdf /2-1 of the Inquiry Bundle.
4. The documentation relied on by the College to prove the Facts of the Charge comprise, in addition, the Responses of the Respondent at pp. 6, 13 & 14 of the Correspondence Bundle, in which he states that he does not contest the correctness of his Conviction for the offence of Murder. The Committee further noted, that the Respondent does not seek to contradict the Sentencing Findings of the Trial Judge, Her Honour Judge Evans KC.

The Crown Court proceedings: facts underlying the conviction

5. The Committee has read and considered the evidence contained and findings set out in the Transcripts of the Sentencing Proceeding held on 15 January 2024 at the Bournemouth Crown Court. These appear in the Inquiry Bundle at 12pdf and then 43pdf and following.
6. The content of the Transcript of the Sentencing Hearing before Her Honour Judge Evans KC confirms that, through his counsel, the Respondent was accepting the correctness of his conviction.

Findings

7. On the basis of the certificate of conviction, the transcript of the criminal proceedings and the Respondent's admission, the Committee is satisfied so that it is sure that the Respondent was convicted of the offence of Murder, as set out in the Notice of Inquiry.

Disciplinary Committee
6 June 2024