

BOARD NOTICE 935 OF 2026

BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY TRIBUNAL OF THE ENGINEERING COUNCIL OF SOUTH AFRICA HELD AT JOHANNESBURG BETWEEN 29 JULY 2025 TO 3 FEBRUARY 2026 VIA MS TEAMS

In the matter between:

Engineering Council of South Africa

(Complainant)

And

Michalis Sotirio

Registration number 820242

(Respondent)

Publication in terms of section 32(5) of the Engineering Profession Act, 46 of 2000 ("The Act") of the finding and sanction imposed by a Disciplinary Tribunal at a disciplinary hearing, into the alleged improper conduct of a registered person.

NATURE OF CONTRAVENTION

Guilty of contravention of Rule 3.1(a), Rule 3.1(c) and Rule 3.2(j) of the Code of Conduct for Registered Persons promulgated under Board Notice 41 of 2017, Government Gazette number 40961 of 17 March 2021.

SANCTION

The Parties entered into a settlement agreement, terms and conditions as follows:

1. The Respondent, in terms of the provisions of section 32(3)(a)(i), be cautioned and reprimanded not to conduct himself in the manner which he did, in the future; and
2. The Respondent, in terms of the provisions of section 32(3)(a)(ii), is fined in the amount of R40 000.00 (forty thousand rand) in respect of the charges.

3. Half of the amount of R 40 000.00 (forty thousand rand), being R20 000.00 (twenty thousand rand), is hereby suspended for a period of 5 (five) years, on the condition that the Respondent is not found guilty of the same or similar offences by ECSA during the next five years.
4. The Respondent shall proceed to remit payment in the amount of R20 000.00 (twenty thousand rand), which payment shall be made to the Council after having received the bank account number of the Council and the appropriate reference number by the Respondent, in the following manner.
 - 4.1 The amount of R 20 000.00 (twenty thousand rand) shall be paid in 4 (four) equal instalments.
 - 4.2 The first of the four (4) instalments, each in the amount of R 5000.00 (five thousand rand), being due on or before 28 February 2026, the second instalment being due on or before 31 March 2026, the third instalment due on or before 30 April 2026 and the fourth and final instalment due on or before 31 May 2026.
 - 4.3 In the event of any default in payment:
 - 4.3.1 The full outstanding balance shall become immediately due and payable;
and
 - 4.3.2 The suspension referred to in clause 6.3 of the settlement agreement shall automatically lapse.