

IN THE HIGH COURT OF NEW ZEALAND  
AUCKLAND REGISTRY

CIV-2007-404-1818

**BETWEEN**                    **SURESH KANJI PATEL**  
   **Appellant**

**AND**                            **THE COMPLAINTS ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE**  
   **Respondent**

Hearing:                    9 and 10 August 2007

Counsel:                    Mr A A H Waalkens QC and Ms A Credin for appellant  
   Mrs J C Hughson for respondent

Date of orders:            10 August 2007

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**ORDERS OF LANG J**  
**[on penalty]**

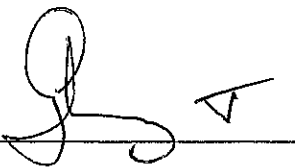
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[1] On the basis of submissions heard on 9 August 2007 I now make the following orders pursuant to s 55(1)(b), (c) and (e) of the Dental Act 1988.

- a) Dr Patel is censured.
- b) Dr Patel is suspended from practising as a dentist for a period of seven months commencing on 1 November 2007.
- c) Between 10 August 2007 and 31 October 2007 and from 1 June 2008 Dr Patel is to practise in accordance with the conditions imposed by the Dental Council and in effect as at 8 August 2007, together with any additional or alternative conditions that the Council may impose hereafter.

[2] Reasons for my decision will be delivered in writing at the earliest opportunity.

  
Lang J