

Friday, 26 March 2010

High Court Appeal by Mr Stephen Graham Twibill MPSNI

On 10 October 2008 Mr Twibill had pleaded guilty to and was convicted of offences in contravention of Article 3(1)(a) of the Protection of Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1978.

On 17 June 2009, the Statutory Committee of the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland met for the purpose of making Inquiry into this matter.

The Statutory Committee determined the following:

The Committee directed that his name should be removed from the register of pharmaceutical chemists and that any application that may be made for restoration to the register should not be made for at least fifteen years.

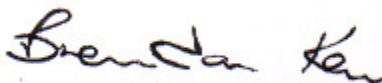
The determination of the committee was not to take effect until the 19th September 2009 in order to allow for any appeal.

On 15th September 2009 Mr Twibill lodged an appeal.

The High Court met on 22nd January and 19th February 2010. A judgement was then published on 26th March 2010. This directed that the period that should expire before any application for registration can be made is reduced to a period of ten years.

Mr Stephen Graham Twibill's name was removed from the register of pharmaceutical chemists on 26th March 2010 on the direction of the Statutory Committee.

The High court judgement is appended separately for information



**Mr Brendan Kerr MPS
Clerk to the Statutory Committee**