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AG Settlement Bars Former President of National Graduate School from Leading Massachusetts Charities

Settlement with Dr. Robert Gee Resolves Allegations of Collecting Excessive Compensation

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BOSTON — The former president of the National Graduate School of Quality Management has been permanently barred from serving on the board or as a chief executive at any Massachusetts charity as part of a settlement with Attorney General Maura Healey’s office.

The [consent judgment](#), entered in Suffolk Superior Court, resolves allegations that Dr. Robert Gee, the former president of the Falmouth-based nonprofit institution the National Graduate School of Quality Management (NGS), breached his fiduciary duty by collecting excessive compensation and other benefits from the school. The consent judgment also requires Gee to pay \$150,000, which will be transferred to a charity in Massachusetts.

“In Massachusetts, we rely on leaders of charities to be careful stewards of our charitable assets,” said AG Healey. “We had alleged that Dr. Gee abused his position, and as a result of this settlement, he is barred from leading any Massachusetts charitable organization in the future.”

The AG’s Office [filed suit](#) against Gee in 2014, alleging that he breached his fiduciary duty to NGS by benefitting from unreasonable arrangements with the school, including the receipt of excessive compensation, the use of a vacation property in the Caribbean and luxury vehicles. The AG’s Office had alleged that Gee’s level of compensation was not comparable with those of his peers and was unreasonable given the size, assets or complexity of the institution.

At the time this suit was filed, the AG’s Office had also reached [an agreement](#) with NGS, requiring the organization to create a new board of directors with strict reporting requirements and monitoring by the AG’s Office.

This matter was handled by Assistant Attorney General Philip Schreiber of AG Healey’s Nonprofit Organizations & Public Charities Division.

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