

BEFORE THE KANSAS DENTAL BOARD

In the matter of)
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DE'SHONDRA N. LEONARD, D.D.S.) Case No. 12-141
Kansas License No. 60879)

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KANSAS DENTAL BOARD

STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the Kansas Dental Board (the "Board") and De'Shondra N. Leonard, D.D.S. (the "Respondent") as follows:

1. The Board is represented herein by its attorney, Randall J. Forbes of Frieden, Unrein & Forbes, 555 South Kansas Avenue, Suite 303, Topeka, Kansas 66603. The Respondent is represented herein by her attorney, Tracie England of Hite, Fanning & Honeyman LLP, 100 N. Broadway, Suite 950, Wichita, Kansas 67202.

2. The Board is the Kansas agency vested with the authority, pursuant to K.S.A. 74-1404 and K.S.A. 74-1406, to carry out and enforce the provisions of the Kansas Dental Law, K.S.A. 65-1401 *et seq.*, including conducting hearings and proceedings to revoke, suspend or otherwise discipline a Kansas license to practice dentistry.

3. The Respondent is presently entitled to engage in the practice of dentistry in the State of Kansas by reason of the Board having issued her Kansas license number 60879. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent has held a current license to engage in the practice of dentistry in the State of Kansas.

4. The Board has received certain information, has investigated and has determined that there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Respondent has committed an act or acts in violation of the Kansas Dental Act, K.S.A. 65-1401 *et seq.*

5. Respondent disputes the allegations and disagrees with the findings of the Board, but waives any further proof in this or any other proceeding before or initiated by the Board, and upon motion duly made, seconded and passed, the Board finds, that:

A. On October 25, 2012 Respondent acted as a chairside assistant for a friend who was taking an examination being administered by the Central Regional Dental Testing Services, Inc. ("CRDTS") in violation of the rules applicable to CRDTS examinations. At the same time, Respondent took steps to conceal her identity. When asked by the Board's staff to explain her actions serving as a chairside assistant during the examination, Respondent provided complete information.

Based upon the foregoing findings, and upon motion duly made, seconded and passed, the Board concludes that the above-described conduct constitutes the basis for imposing discipline against Respondent pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1436(a)(3) and (19).

6. The Respondent does not object, and the Board finds and concludes, that the following disposition is just and appropriate under the circumstances:

A. PROBATION. Respondent agrees, and the Board further orders that Respondent's Licensee to practice dentistry in the State of Kansas shall be on PROBATION for one (1) year from the effective date of this Stipulation and Consent Order (the "Probation Period").

B. ADMINISTRATIVE FINE. Respondent agrees, and the Board further orders the Respondent to pay to the Board an administrative fine in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00). One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) of this Five Thousand Dollar (\$5,000.00) fine shall be paid to the Board within ten (10) days of the effective date of the Consent Order contemplated hereby. The Four Thousand Dollar (\$4,000.00) balance of the Five

Thousand Dollar (\$5,000.00) fine shall not be payable if during a 12-month Probation Period beginning on the effective date of the Consent Order contemplated hereby, the Respondent does not commit any further act that would constitute a further violation of the Kansas Dental Practices Act or the Board's regulations. If Respondent commits an act during the Probation Period that constitutes a violation of the Kansas Dental Practices Act or the Board's regulations or fails to meet any condition set out in this Stipulation the balance of the fine shall be immediately payable.

C. OTHER REQUIREMENTS. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that as a condition of this Stipulation and Consent Order she must, and the Board further orders the Respondent to:

1. Comply fully with this Stipulation and Consent Order; and
2. Comply fully with the Kansas Dental Act, the Board's rules and regulations and all state and federal laws relating to Kansas dentists.

7. Respondent agrees that all information in the possession of the Board's Investigation Committee, its staff, its investigators and its attorney regarding the complaint which led to this disciplinary action, the investigation of the complaint and all information discovered during the pendency of the disciplinary action may be disclosed to and considered by the Board as part of the presentation and consideration of the proposal of settlement in the form of this Stipulation and Consent Order, with or without the presence of the Respondent or her attorney. In the event that this Stipulation and Consent Order is not accepted and approved by the Board, the Respondent further waives any objection to the Board members' consideration of this Stipulation and Consent Order or the information mentioned in the preceding sentence and further agrees to waive any claim of due process violation or the right to seek the disqualification

of any Board member as a result of the Board member's consideration of said document and information.

8. The stipulations and orders contained herein shall not become binding until this Stipulation and Consent Order is approved and entered by the Board. The Respondent acknowledges that the approval of the Board's attorney shall not constitute the approval of the Board or bind the Board to approve this Stipulation and Consent Order.

9. The Respondent agrees that this Stipulation and Consent Order is in conformance with Kansas and federal law and the Board has jurisdiction to enter into it. The Respondent further agrees that the Kansas Dental Act, K.S.A. 65-1421 *et seq.*, is constitutional on its face and as applied in this case.

10. This stipulation constitutes the entire agreement of the parties and may only be modified by a subsequent writing signed by them. The agreement shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Kansas.

11. The Respondent acknowledges that she has the following rights:

A. To have formal notice of charges served upon her;

B. To file a response to the charges;

C. To have notice of and participate in a formal adjudicative hearing with the Board making specific findings of facts and conclusions of law based only upon evidence admitted at such hearing; and

D. To take advantage of all applicable provisions of the Kansas Administrative Procedures Act and the Act for Judicial Review and Civil Enforcement of Agency Action.

The Respondent freely waives these rights and acknowledges that said waiver is made voluntarily and in consideration of the Board's limiting the disciplinary action taken against her to those provided for herein. The Respondent further waives the right to seek reconsideration or appeal or otherwise contest this Stipulation and Consent Order.

12. The Respondent acknowledges that she enters into this Stipulation and Consent Order freely and voluntarily after consultation with counsel of her choosing. The Respondent further acknowledges that she has read this Stipulation and Consent Order in its entirety, that she understands its legal consequences and that she agrees that none of its terms are unconscionable, arbitrary or capricious.

13. Time is of the essence to this Stipulation and Consent Order. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that any violation of this Stipulation and Consent Order shall constitute a willful violation of a lawful Board order and grounds for further disciplinary action against her. The pendency of any disciplinary action arising out of an alleged violation of this Stipulation and Consent Order shall not affect the obligation of Respondent to comply with all terms and conditions of this Stipulation and Consent Order.

14. This Stipulation and Consent Order constitutes the entire and final agreement of the parties. In the event any provision of this Stipulation and Consent Order is deemed invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall be severed and the remaining provisions of this Stipulation and Consent Order shall be given full force and effect.


15. Upon execution by all parties and entry as an order by the Board, this Stipulation and Consent Order shall be a public record in the custody of the Board.

16. This Stipulation and Consent Order shall become effective on the day it is approved, accepted and made an order of the Board by way of signature of the Board's President or the President's authorized representative.

17. The Respondent acknowledges that she has been advised by the Board that she would have the right within fifteen (15) days after service of this Stipulation and Consent Order to file a petition for reconsideration with the Board and the right within 30 days after service of the Stipulation and Consent Order to file a petition for judicial review in the District Court of Shawnee County, Kansas in accordance with the Kansas Act for Judicial Review and Civil Enforcement of Agency Actions, K.S.A. 77-601 *et seq.*, and to serve such a petition for judicial review on the Kansas Dental Board by serving B. Lane Hemsley, its Executive Director, at 900 SW Jackson, Room 564-S, Topeka, KS 66612. The Respondent hereby waives those rights.

ENTERED AND EFFECTIVE this 8 day of November, 2013.

KANSAS DENTAL BOARD

By: 

GLENN HEMBERGER, DDS
President

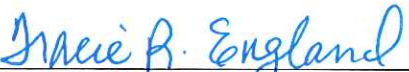
AGREED AND APPROVED BY:


DE'SHONDRA N. LEONARD, D.D.S.


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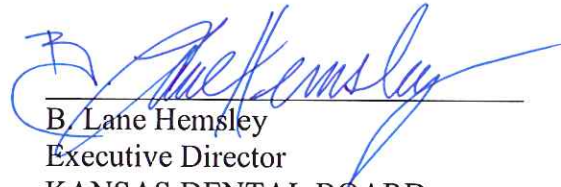
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing **STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER** was served by depositing same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, this 12th day of November, 2013, addressed to:

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