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**BEFORE THE BOARD OF HEALING ARTS
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

In the Matter of)
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HAROLD ROBERT BELL, D.C.)
Kansas License No. 01-04305)
_____)

Docket No. 01-HA-17

FINAL ORDER

NOW ON THIS Twenty-Eighth Day of April, 2001, comes before the Board of Healing Arts the petition to revoke, suspend or otherwise limit the license of Harold Robert Bell, D.C., Respondent. Kelli J. Benintendi, Associate Counsel, appears for petitioner. Respondent appears in person and without counsel. After hearing the statements of the parties, and having the agency record before it, the Board finds, concludes and orders as follows:

1. Respondent holds an inactive license as a Doctor of Chiropractic. He resides in the city of Carl Junction, Missouri, and is licensed to practice of chiropractic in the State of Missouri.
2. Respondent has had disciplinary action taken by the Missouri State Board of Chiropractic Examiners. This disciplinary action includes a suspension of his license for a period of three years, two years of which are stayed, and other limitations as specified in a Stipulation and Agreement between the Missouri board and Respondent dated May 24, 2000. The disciplinary action by the Missouri board was based upon sexual relationships with patients, including initiation of sexual activity while providing chiropractic care.
3. K.S.A. 65-2836(j) provides that the Board may revoke, suspend, limit or deny a license, or a licensee may be censured or fined upon a finding that the licensee has had a license

to practice a branch of the healing arts suspended or limited by the proper licensing authority of another state.

4. As a policy matter, initiating sexual activity while providing patient care, and engaging in ongoing sexual relationships with patients in the professional office as well as at other locations is detrimental and constitutes a serious breach of public trust.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED as follows:

1. The license of Harold Robert Bell, D.C., is hereby suspended for a period of one year, commencing April 28, 2001 and concluding April 27, 2002.

2. Respondent may not request conversion of his license to the designation of active license prior to the conclusion of the suspension period. No such request for conversion will be granted without a hearing and appearance by Respondent before the Board.

3. At any time that Respondent is granted an active license, that license will be subject to the following limitations for a minimum of four years commencing at the time the active license is granted.

a. Respondent is prohibited from practicing the healing arts within the State of Kansas unless a female chaperone is present at all times during which he examines or treats a female, and that the presence of the female chaperone is documented in the patient record.

b. Respondent is prohibited from practicing the healing arts within the State of Kansas unless he maintains a daily log of all appointments with female patients, which log must be verified by signature of the female chaperone. Respondent must provide a copy of each log on a monthly basis, due on or before the twentieth day following the end of the monthly reporting period.

c. (Confidential)

(Confidential)

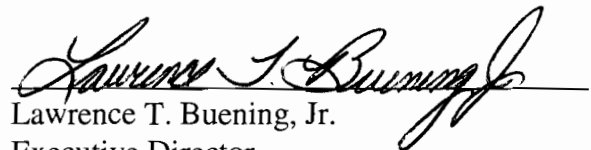
d. (Confidential)

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that this is a Final Order. A Final Order is effective upon service. A party to an agency action may file a petition for judicial review within 30 days following service of a Final Order. Reconsideration is not a prerequisite to a petition for judicial review. A copy of any such petition must be served upon Lawrence T. Buening, Jr., Executive Director, 235 S. Topeka Blvd., Topeka, Kansas 66603.

DATED this 4th Day of May, 2001.

Kansas State Board of Healing Arts


Lawrence T. Buening, Jr.
Executive Director

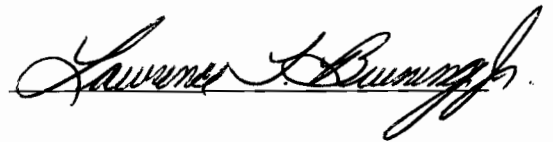
Certificate of Service

I certify that a true copy of the foregoing Final Order was served this 4th day of May, 2001, by depositing the same in the United States Mail, first-class postage prepaid, and addressed to:

Harold Robert Bell, D.C.
P.O. Box 2
Carl Junction, MO 64834

and by hand-delivery to the office of:

Kelli J. Benintendi
Associate Counsel
235 S. Topeka Blvd.
Topeka, KS 66603

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lawrence T. Bunn", written over a horizontal line.