

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

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In the Matter of )  
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**BARI LYNN COOPER, R.T.** )  
Applicant for Retroactive )  
Reinstatement of License No. 16-02264 )  
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KANSAS STATE BOARD OF  
HEALING ARTS

**ORDER OF RETROACTIVE REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSE**

**NOW**, on the Seventeenth Day of August, 2002, this matter comes on for conference proceedings before the Board of Healing Arts ("Board"), upon the request of Bari Lynn Cooper, R.T. ("Applicant") regarding her request for retroactive reinstatement of license as a Respiratory Therapist.

Charlene K. Abbott, Licensing Administrator, presents information to the Board. Applicant does not appear.

Having the record before it, the Board finds, concludes and orders as follows:

1. Applicant was originally granted registration as a Respiratory Therapist on June 26, 1998.
2. Applicant's license expired on March 31, 2001 and was canceled for failure to renew on May 1, 2001.
3. Applicant submitted a renewal application in March of 2001 to the respiratory therapy department at her place of employment which was to be sent to the Board with two other therapists' renewals. That application was never received by the board.
4. Applicant received a second renewal notice and re-submitted her application to the respiratory therapy department. Applicant was assured by her supervisor who was also a licensed respiratory therapist that Application was 'covered' to practice in Kansas.
5. Applicant's second renewal application was never received by the Board.
6. On or about December 18, 2001, the secretary in the respiratory therapy department provided Applicant with a photocopy of a wallet card which appeared to be a copy of an actual Board-issued wallet card indicating Applicant's license had been renewed retroactively to the date

of expiration. The photocopy of the wallet card was not a copy of a valid Board-issued wallet card.

7. On or about March of 2002 Applicant discovered the wallet card was a forgery.

8. On or about April 1, 2002 Applicant submitted an Application for Reinstatement of her Kansas license and requested that it be reinstated retroactively to March 31, 2001.

9. Applicant also holds a Missouri respiratory therapy license and practiced primarily in Kansas City, Missouri. On numerous occasions Applicant practiced respiratory therapy at her employer's Kansas location as well.

10. Applicant currently has a respiratory therapist license, lives and works in Seattle, Washington.

11. Applicant's failure to properly renew her license prior to cancellation on May 1, 2001 was not due to any intentional conduct on the part of Applicant.

12. The matter of the forged wallet card is still under investigation, and the Board makes no findings or determination as to whether Applicant committed any act that may constitute grounds for discipline regarding the issue.


**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That the findings here and above made be and the same are made the order of the Board.
2. That license number 16-02264 of Bari Lynn Cooper to practice respiratory therapy in the State of Kansas be made effective retroactively from and after March 31, 2001.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**DATED** this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2002.

**KANSAS STATE BOARD OF HEALING ARTS**

  
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing **ORDER OF RETROACTIVE REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSE** was served on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2002, by depositing same in the United States mail, first-class postage prepaid and addressed to:

Bari Lynn Cooper, R.T.  
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and a copy was hand-delivered to the office of:

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lawrence J. Bump", is written over a horizontal line.