

BEFORE THE BOARD OF HEALING ARTS OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

KS State Board of Healing Arts

In the Matter of)	3
)	Docket No. 12-HA00002
Todd Eck, D.C.)	•
Kansas License No. 001-03922)	OAH No. 12HA0003

CONSENT ORDER

COMES NOW, the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts, ("Board"), by and through Stacy R. Bond, Associate Litigation Counsel ("Petitioner"), and Todd Eck, D.C. ("Licensee"), by and through his counsel, Carol Bonebrake, and move the Board for approval of a Consent Order affecting Licensee's license to practice chiropractic in the State of Kansas. The Parties stipulate and agree to the following:

- Licensee's last known mailing address to the Board is: 112 S. Main, Ste. 100, El Dorado, Kansas 67042.
- Licensee is or has been entitled to engage in the practice of chiropractic in the
 State of Kansas, having been issued License No. 01-03922 on approximately
 December 9, 1988. Licensee's license is active having last been renewed on or about January 1, 2012.
- The Board is the sole and exclusive administrative agency in the State of Kansas authorized to regulate the practice of the healing arts, specifically the practice of chiropractic. K.S.A. 65-2801 et seq. and K.S.A. 65-2871.
- 4. This Consent Order and the filing of such document are in accordance with applicable law and the Board has jurisdiction to enter into the Consent Order as provided by K.S.A. 77-505 and 65-2838. Upon approval, these stipulations shall

- constitute the findings of the Board, and this Consent Order shall constitute the Board's Final Order.
- 5. The Kansas Healing Arts Act is constitutional on its face and as applied in this case. Licensee agrees that, in considering this matter, the Board is not acting beyond its jurisdiction as provided by law.
- 6. Licensee voluntarily and knowingly waives his right to a hearing. Licensee voluntarily and knowingly waives his right to present a defense by oral testimony and documentary evidence, to submit rebuttal evidence, and to conduct cross-examination of witnesses. Licensee voluntarily and knowingly agrees to waive all possible substantive and procedural motions and defenses that could be raised if an administrative hearing were held.
- 7. The terms and conditions of the Consent Order are entered into between the undersigned parties and are submitted for the purpose of allowing these terms and conditions to become an Order of the Board. This Consent Order shall not be binding on the Board until an authorized signature is affixed at the end of this document. Licensee specifically acknowledges that counsel for the Board is not authorized to sign this Consent Order on behalf of the Board.
- 8. The Board has received information and investigated the same, and has reason to believe that there may be grounds pursuant to K.S.A. 65-2836, to take action with respect to Licensee's license under the Kansas Healing Arts Act, K.S.A. 65-2801, et seq.
- On July 12, 2011, a Petition was filed against Licensee alleging multiple violations of the Kansas Healing Arts Act.

- 10. The Petition is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully restated herein.
- 11. Licensee acknowledges that if formal hearing proceedings were conducted and Licensee presented no exhibits, witnesses, or other evidence, the Board has sufficient evidence to prove that Licensee has violated the Kansas Healing Arts Act with respect to the above allegations.
- 12. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-2836, the Board may revoke, suspend, limit, censure or place under probationary conditions Licensee's license and pursuant to K.S.A. 65-2863a the Board has the authority to impose administrative fines for violations of the Kansas Healing Arts Act.
- 13. According to K.S.A.65-2838(b) and K.S.A. 77-505, the Board has authority to enter into this Consent Order without the necessity of proceeding to a formal hearing.
- 14. All pending investigation materials in KSBHA Investigation number 08-00360, 08-00432, and 09-00586 regarding Licensee, were fully reviewed and considered by the Board members who serve on the Board's Disciplinary Panel. Disciplinary Panel No. 23 authorized and directed Board counsel to seek settlement of this matter with the provisions contained in this Consent Order.
- 15. Licensee further understands and agrees that if the Board finds, after due written notice and an opportunity for a hearing, that Licensee has failed to comply with any of the terms of this Consent Order, the Board may immediately impose any sanction provided for by law, including but not limited to suspension or revocation of Licensee's license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Kansas. Licensee hereby expressly understands and agrees that, at any such

hearing, the sole issue shall be whether or not Licensee has failed to comply with any of the terms or conditions set forth in this Consent Order. The Board acknowledges that at any such hearing, Licensee retains the right to confront and examine all witnesses, present evidence, testify on his own behalf, contest the allegations, present oral argument, appeal to the courts, and all other rights set forth in the Kansas Administrative Procedures Act, K.S.A. 77-501 et seq., and the Kansas Healing Arts Act, K.S.A. 65-2801 et seq.

- 16. Nothing in this Consent Order shall be construed to deny the Board jurisdiction to investigate alleged violations of the Kansas Healing Arts Act, or to investigate complaints received under the Risk Management Law, K.S.A. 65-4921 et seq., that are known or unknown and are not covered under this Consent Order, or to initiate formal proceedings based upon known or unknown allegations of violations of the Kansas Healing Arts Act.
- 17. Licensee hereby releases the Board, its individual members (in their official and personal capacity), attorneys, employees and agents, hereinafter collectively referred to as "Releasees", from any and all claims, including but not limited to those alleged damages, actions, liabilities, both administrative and civil, including the Kansas Judicial Review Act, K.S.A. 77-601 et seq. arising out of the investigation and acts leading to the execution of this Consent Order. This release shall forever discharge the Releasees of any and all claims or demands of every kind and nature that Licensee has claimed to have had at the time of this release or might have had, either known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, and

- Licensee shall not commence to prosecute, cause or permit to be prosecuted, any action or proceeding of any description against the Releasees.
- 18. Licensee further understands and agrees that upon signature by Licensee, this document shall be deemed a public record and shall be reported to any entities authorized to receive disclosure of this Consent Order.
- 19. This Consent Order, when signed by both parties, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and may only be modified or amended by a subsequent document executed in the same manner by the parties.
- 20. Licensee agrees that all information maintained by the Board pertaining to the nature and result of any complaint and/or investigation may be fully disclosed to and considered by the Board in conjunction with the presentation of any offer of settlement, even if Licensee is not present. Licensee further acknowledges that the Board may conduct further inquiry as it deems necessary before the complete or partial acceptance or rejection of any offer of settlement.
- 21. Licensee, by signature to this document, waives any objection to the participation of the Board members, including the Disciplinary Panel and General Counsel, in the consideration of this offer of settlement and agrees not to seek the disqualification or recusal of any Board member or General Counsel in any future proceedings on the basis that the Board member or General Counsel has received investigative information from any source which otherwise may not be admissible or admitted as evidence.
- 22. Licensee acknowledges that he has read this Consent Order and fully understands the contents.

- 23. Licensee acknowledges that this Consent Order has been entered into freely and voluntarily.
- 24. All correspondence or communication between Licensee and the Board relating to the Consent Order shall be by certified mail addressed to the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts, Attn: Compliance Coordinator, 800 SW Jackson, Lower Level-Suite A, Topeka, Kansas 66612.
- 25. Licensee shall obey all federal, state and local laws and rules governing the practice of chiropractic in the State of Kansas that may be in place at the time of execution of the Consent Order or may become effective subsequent to the execution of this document.
- 26. Upon execution of this Consent Order by affixing a Board authorized signature below, the provisions of this Consent Order shall become an Order under K.S.A. 65-2838. This Consent Order shall constitute the Board's Final Order when filed with the office of the Executive Director for the Board and no further Order is required.
- 27. This Consent Order constitutes non-disciplinary action.
- 28. The Board may consider all aspects of this Consent Order in any future matter regarding Licensee.
- 29. In lieu of conducting a formal proceeding, Licensee, by signature affixed to this Consent Order, hereby voluntarily agrees to the following action against license to engage in the practice of chiropractic:

EDUCATION

- 30. Licensee shall attend and successful complete The ProBE Program offered by the Center for Personalized Education for Physicians ("CPEP") by March 31, 2013, at his own expense. Licensee shall provide proof of successful completion by April 30, 2013.
- 31. These hours shall be in addition to those hours required for renewal of licensure.
- 32. Licensee shall attend and successfully complete the Patient Care Documentation Seminar offered by CPEP by December 31, 2012, at his own expense. Licensee shall provide proof of successful completion of this phase by January 31, 2012.
- 33. Licensee shall participate in and successfully complete Personalized Implementation Program component of the Patient Care Documentation Seminar offered by CPEP, at his own expense. Licensee shall provide proof of successful completion of this phase no later than August 1, 2013.
- 34. These hours shall be in addition to those hours required for renewal of licensure.
- 35. Within ten (10) days of the approval of the Consent Order, Licensee shall contact CPEP, 7351 Lowry Boulevard, Suite 100, Denver, Colorado 80230, (303) 577-3232, fax: (303) 577-3241, to enroll in the above-mentioned courses. Licensee shall immediately provide proof of enrollment in the above-mentioned courses to Board Counsel.
- 36. Licensee shall travel to CPEP and complete the courses as scheduled, at his own expense.

OTHER

37. Licensee shall not practice with, enter into a chiropractic management agreement with, enter into an chiropractic employer/employee relationship with or consult on any chiropractic patient matters with Bradley D. Eck, D.C.

COSTS

- 38. Licensee is hereby ordered to pay the Board's incurred COSTS in conducting these proceedings under the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act in the amount of \$273.40. The total amount of \$273.40 shall be due on or before November 26, 2012.
- 39. In the event that the Board does not receive a payment due and owing, the total amount of the assessed COSTS still due shall become immediately due and payable in full upon written notice by the Board to Licensee stating that payment has not been received.
- 40. Licensee shall make all payments payable to the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts and send all payments to the attention of: Compliance Coordinator, Kansas State Board of Healing Arts, 800 SW Jackson, Lower Level-Suite A, Topeka, Kansas 66612.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Consent Order and agreement of the parties contained herein is adopted by the Board as findings of fact, conclusions of law, and as a Final Order of the Board.

IT IS SO ORDERED on this 29th day of Oto Her, 2012.

FOR THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF HEALING ARTS:

Kathleen Selzler Lippert

Executive Director

Date

Todd Eck, D.C.

Licensee

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I served a true and correct copy of the Consent

Order by United States mail, postage prepaid, on this day of

, 2012

to the following:

Todd Eck, D.C. Licensee 112 S. Main, Ste. 100 El Dorado, Kansas 67042

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And the original was hand-filed with:

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