

BEFORE THE BOARD OF HEALING ARTS
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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**KANSAS STATE BOARD OF
HEALING ARTS**

In the Matter of)
CHRISTOPHER JOHN RANGEL)
_____)

FINAL ORDER FOLLOWING CONFERENCE HEARING

NOW, on this 13th day of August, 1994, comes on for conference hearing the Application of Christopher John Rangel (hereafter "Applicant") for certification as a physical therapist assistant.

Applicant appeared in person. Charlene K. Abbott, Licensing Administrator appeared on behalf of the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts (hereafter "Board"), Jacqueline Rawlings, R.P.T., appeared on behalf of the state Examining Committee for Physical Therapy.

After reviewing the file and being otherwise duly advised in the premises, the Board makes the following findings of fact and order:

1. Applicant has heretofore filed an Application for certification as a physical therapist assistant.

2. Up until July 1, 1994, K.S.A. 65-2906(c) provided that a person who desired to be certified as a physical therapist assistant must have successfully completed a program in a school

for physical therapist assistants approved by the State Board of Healing Art or be determined by the Board to possess equivalent qualifications based on training and experience.

3. The State Examining Committee for physical therapy has heretofore reviewed Applicant's Application and has recommended that Applicant not be allowed to apply and sit for the examination required to be certified as a physical therapist assistant, since he did not have at least five years of experience working under the supervision of a registered physical therapist.

4. As part of his Application, Applicant has submitted evidence that he has been employed under the direction of a physical therapist for less than five year. However, Applicant submitted evidence he has successfully completed numerous college courses which pertain to physical therapy.

5. The training and experience submitted by Applicant in combination with the college courses successfully completed does provide Applicant with equivalent qualifications to be allowed to apply and sit for the examination required for certification as a physical therapist assistant.

IT IS THEREFORE BY THE BOARD ORDERED that Applicant possesses equivalent qualifications, based on a combination of formal education and training and experience, to apply and sit for the examination required for certification as a physical therapist assistant, and if successfully passed, to be so certified.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this is the Final Order and is effectively upon service upon the parties. Any party may, within 15 days after service, file a Petition for Reconsideration. The filing of a Petition for Reconsideration is not a prerequisite for seeking administrative or judicial review.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 22^d day of August, 1994.

KANSAS STATE BOARD OF HEALING ARTS


LAWRENCE T. BUENING, JR.
Executive Director

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Lawrence T. Buening, Jr., hereby certify that on the 22nd day of August, 1994, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing FINAL ORDER FOLLOWING CONFERENCE HEARING was deposited in the United States first class mail, postage prepaid, to the following:

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