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## BEFORE THE BOARD OF HEALING ARTS FOR THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of	) NUV 1 8 1991	
TRICIA K. RIDDLE		ANSAS STATE BE ARE OF
	HEALING AR.S	

## FINAL ORDER FOLLOWING CONFERENCE HEARING

NOW, on this 19th day of October, 1991, comes on for conference hearing the Application of Tricia K. Riddle (hereafter "Applicant") for certification as a physical therapist assistant.

After reviewing the file and being otherwise duly advised in the premises, the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts (hereafter "Board") makes the following findings of fact and order:

- 1. Applicant has heretofore filed an Application for certification as a physical therapist assistant.
- 2. K.S.A. 1990 Supp. 65-2906(c) provides that a person who desires 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 Arts 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.
- 4. As part of her Application, Applicant has submitted evidence that she has obtained a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Education; a transcript evidencing a number of college semester hours related to health and exercise; and evidence that she has

performed work experience under the supervision of a registered physical therapist.

5. Although Applicant does not have five (5) years of experience working under the supervision of a registered physical therapist, the various college courses completed, coupled with the training and experience Applicant has received under the supervision of a registered physical therapist, 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 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 a 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.

KANSAS STATE BOARD OF HEALING ARTS

JOHN P. WHITE, D.O.

President

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

> Tricia K. Riddle 2421 Yellowstone, No. 103 Wichita, Kansas 67215

and a copy hand-delivered to:

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LAWRENCE T. BUENING, JR.