

BEFORE THE BOARD OF HEALING ARTS
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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KS State Board of Healing Arts

In the Matter of)
Steven D. Ringel)
Application for Reinstatement)
of License to Practice)
Medicine and Surgery)
Kansas License No. 04-28474)
_____)

Docket No. 09-HA00159

FINAL ORDER

NOW ON THIS 17th day of April, 2009, this matter comes on for hearing on Applicant's Application for Reinstatement and Notice of Withdrawal of Application. Applicant appears by and through counsel, Jennifer Conkling Bazin of Law Office of Carol Ruth Bonebrake, P.A. Janith A. Davis, Associate Litigation Counsel, appears for the Board. There are no other appearances.

WHEREUPON the Board denies Applicant's request to withdraw his application
(Confidential)

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Applicant did not respond to the Disciplinary Panel and has let this matter rest until the present time.

WHEREUPON Applicant's attorney moves for a continuance of these proceedings so that Applicant can personally appear.

WHEREUPON the Board finds that Applicant had notice of this hearing and chose not to appear so his attorney's motion for a continuance is denied.

WHEREUPON having the agency record before it, hearing the statements and arguments of the parties and being duly advised in the premises, the Board finds, concludes and orders as follows:

1. Applicant has the burden of proof that his Application for Reinstatement should be granted. *Vakas v. The Kansas Board of Healing Arts*, 248 Kan. 589 (1991).
2. On February 7, 2005, Applicant was convicted of a felony for violation of federal laws concerning controlled substances.
3. Applicant is currently on Federal probation.
4. Applicant has had medical licenses suspended or revoked in Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, Tennessee and Virginia.
5. Applicant has shown no interest in proving his clinical competency to practice medicine.
6. **(Confidential)**
7. Applicant has put forth no evidence that his application should be granted.
8. The Board has the following reasons to deny the application:
 - a. K.S.A. 65-2836(c) the licensee has been convicted of a felony or Class A misdemeanor, whether or not related to the practice of the healing arts;
 - b. **(Confidential)**

c. **(Confidential)**

d. K.S.A. 65-2836(j) the licensee has had a license to practice the healing arts revoked, suspended or limited, has been censured or has had other disciplinary action taken, or an application for a license denied, by the proper licensing authority of another state...;

e. K.S.A. 65-2836(p) the licensee has prescribed, sold, administered, distributed or given a controlled substance to any person for other than medically accepted or lawful purposes;

f. K.S.A. 65-2836(q) the licensee has violated a federal law or regulation relating to controlled substances; and,

g. K.S.A. 65-2837(a)(3), as further defined by K.S.A. 65-2809(e), licensee has not practiced the healing arts for more than two (2) years which constitutes a pattern of practice or other behavior which demonstrates a manifest incapacity or incompetence to practice the healing arts.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Applicant's Application for Reinstatement is DENIED.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that this is a final order. A final order is effective upon service. A party to an agency proceeding may seek judicial review of a final order by filing a petition in the District Court as authorized by K.S.A. 77-601, et

seq. Reconsideration of a final order is not a prerequisite to judicial review. A petition for judicial review is not timely unless filed within 30 days following service of the final order. A copy of any petition for judicial review must be served upon the Board's Executive Director at 235 SW. Topeka Blvd., Topeka, KS 66603.

Dated this 23rd day of April, 2009.

Kansas State Board of Healing Arts



Jack Confer
Executive Director

Certificate of Service

I certify that a true copy of the foregoing Final Order was served this 24th day of April, 2009, by depositing the same in the United States Mail, first-class postage prepaid, and addressed to:

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And a copy was hand-delivered to the office of

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