

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

KS State Board of Healing Arts

In the Matter of)	
)	Docket No.: 22-HA00043
Kyle A. Strong, R.T.)	
Kansas License No. 16-05478)	

**EMERGENCY ORDER OF TEMPORARY SUSPENSION
AND EMERGENCY PROCEEDINGS**

This matter comes before the Presiding Officer of the Board, R. Jerry DeGrado, D.C., a member of the agency head appointed to preside pursuant to K.S.A. 77-514(g), on a Motion for *Ex Parte* Emergency Order of Suspension and for Emergency Proceedings filed on June 9, 2022, (“Motion”) on behalf of the Disciplinary Panel of the Board (“Petitioner”) for an *Ex Parte* Emergency Order of Suspension of the license of Kyle A. Strong, RT (“Licensee”) to practice respiratory therapy. The Motion incorporated the Petition for discipline filed on the same date (“Petition”). Upon consideration of the agency record, including all filings and attached exhibits, the Presiding Officer finds, concludes and orders as follows:

1. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-2838(c) and K.S.A. 77-536(c), there is reasonable cause to believe that:
 - a. grounds exist for disciplinary action; and
 - b. the immediate continuation in practice by Licensee would constitute an imminent danger to the public health and safety.

2. The cause to believe that grounds exist for disciplinary action and the Licensee's immediate continuation in practice would constitute an imminent danger to the public health and safety include the following:

a. The facts and documentary evidence as set forth and incorporated in the Motion and the Petition are incorporated here by reference, subject to the Protective Order that has been entered in this case.

b. **CONFIDENTIAL**

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f. Following termination, Licensee appears to have sent two former co-workers derogatory text messages.

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4. There is reasonable cause to believe grounds exist for disciplinary action under K.S.A. 65-5510(a)(2), as further defined by **CONFIDENTIAL**
5. There is reasonable cause to believe that Licensee's immediate continuation in practice would constitute an imminent danger to the public health as he currently holds an active, unrestricted license to practice as a respiratory therapist in Kansas and there is nothing to prevent him from working as a respiratory therapist **CONFIDENTIAL**
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6. The Presiding Officer further finds that, in addition to the facts and law referenced above, K.S.A. 65-5501 *et seq.*, K.S.A. 65-5510, and **CONFIDENTIAL** and the policy consideration of the Board's duty of public protection provide supplemental reasonable grounds in law and policy to justify the requested emergency suspension under the circumstances of this case.

7. Therefore, pursuant to K.S.A. 65-2838(c) and K.S.A. 77-536(b), Licensee's license to practice respiratory therapy is immediately temporarily suspended pending further proceedings and/or further Order of the Board.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Motion is **SUSTAINED**. The respiratory therapy license of Kyle A. Strong, RT, is hereby **SUSPENDED** on a temporary basis pending further proceedings and/or further Order of the Board.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 14th day of June 2022.

KANSAS STATE BOARD OF HEALING ARTS



Courtney E. Cyzman, JD #27787 for
Presiding Officer R. Jerry DeGrado, D.C.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a true copy of the foregoing **Emergency Order of Temporary Suspension and Emergency Hearings** was served this 14th day of June 2022 by depositing the same in the United States Mail, first-class postage prepaid, and via email addressed to:

Kyle A. Strong, R.T.

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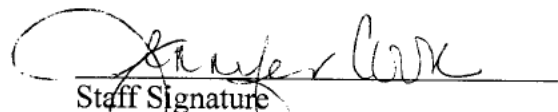
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Staff Signature