

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)
)
THOMAS ALBERT WOODS)
Application for Licensure as a)
Respiratory Therapist)

SUMMARY ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION

NOW, on this 11th day of December, 2004, comes on before the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts ("Board") in summary proceedings the Application for Licensure as a Respiratory Therapist filed by Thomas Albert Woods ("Applicant"). Charlene K. Abbott, Licensing Administrator provides information to the Board.

After hearing the statements of Ms. Abbott and being duly advised in the premises, the Board finds and orders as follows:

1. Applicant filed an Application for Licensure as a Respiratory Therapist on October 15, 2004.
2. Applicant has not met the education requirement for a license established pursuant to K.A.R. 100-55-2.
3. Applicant has practiced respiratory therapy since the mid 1960s, has a bachelor of science degree from the University of Southern Mississippi, and has extensive training and has taken numerous continuing education courses for more than 30 years.
4. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-5508(a), the Board may waive the education requirement and grant licensure as a respiratory therapist to any applicant who presents proof of current licensure or registration as a respiratory therapist in another state which requires standards equivalent to the requirements in Kansas.

5. The Respiratory Therapy Council has reviewed Applicant's qualifications and recommends that the college classes and continuing education obtained by Applicant are equivalent to the educational requirements under K.A.R. 100-55-2.

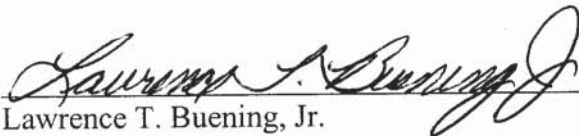
6. Applicant was issued a license in Texas on April 2, 1996, which license is currently valid and active.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that pursuant to K.S.A. 65-5508(a), the Board waives the education requirement and grants licensure to Applicant to practice respiratory therapy in the state of Kansas.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that this is a summary order. A party to whom a summary order is issued may file a written request for a hearing within 15 days following service of the summary order. If a hearing is not requested, the summary order shall become effective as a final order of the Board upon expiration of the time for requesting a hearing. A request for hearing must be addressed to Lawrence T. Buening, Jr., Executive Director, 235 S. Topeka Boulevard, Topeka, Kansas 66603.

DATED this 21st day of December, 2004.

KANSAS STATE BOARD OF HEALING ARTS



Lawrence T. Buening, Jr.
Executive Director

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

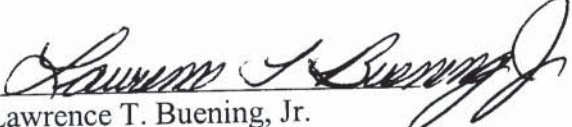
I, do hereby certify that on the 21st day of December, 2004, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing was deposited in the United States mail, first class postage prepaid to the following:

Thomas Albert Woods
235 W. Bandera Rd, Suite 139
Boerne, TX 78006

and a copy hand delivered to the office of:

Charlene K. Abbott, Licensing Administrator
Kansas State Board of Healing Arts
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and the original filed with the office of the Executive Director.


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