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BEFORE THE BOARD OF HEALING ARTS
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of	)	
STEVEN B. LARSEN, D.P.M.	)	
	)	**Docket No. 16-HA00112**
	)	
Kansas License No. 12-00229	)	
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FINAL ORDER

NOW on this 12th day of August, 2016, comes before the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts ("Board"), the Petition for Discipline against the license of Steven B. Larsen, D.P.M. to practice podiatry in the State of Kansas ("Licensee"). Petitioner appears by and through Jane Weiler, Associate Litigation Counsel. Licensee appears in person and *pro se*.

Pursuant to the authority granted to the Board by K.S.A. 65-2001, *et seq*. and in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act K.S.A. 77-501 *et seq*., the Presiding Officer hereby enters this Final Order in the above-captioned matter. Having the agency record before it, and considering the evidence and the statements and arguments of the parties, the Board makes the following findings, conclusions and order:

1. Licensee is or has been entitled to engage in the practice of podiatry in the State of Kansas, having been issued License No. 12-00229 on or about December 22, 1988. On or about September 17, 2015, retired from the active practice of podiatry. On or about February 5, 2016, Licensee changed his license designation to inactive.

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3. Confidential Licensee was required to attend and successfully complete the Midwest Podiatry Conference held March 31-April 3, 2016. Licensee was to provide proof of attendance by May 3, 2016. Licensee was also required to successfully complete no less than 5 hours of continuing medical education in the form of bunion treatment and post-care. Such continuing education was to be completed by December 31, 2015.

4. On or about December 29, 2015, Licensee provided documentation to the Board evidencing his completion of five hours of continuing education in the form of bunion treatment and post-care. Such continuing educaiton was completed on or about November 26-29, 2015.

5. On or about May 3, 2016, Board staff sent a letter to Licensee inquiring as to his attendance at the Midwest Podiatry Conference. On or about May 5, 2016, Licensee contacted Board staff and informed staff that he had not attended the Midwest Podiatry Conference.

6. The Board finds that although Licensee retired from the active practice of podiatry on or about September 17, 2105, and his license designation was changed to inactive on or about February 5, 2016, that Licensee was still required to complete all requirements Confidential

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7. K.S.A. 65-2006(a)(12) authorizes the Board to impose disciplinary action against a licensee's license based on such licensee's violation of a lawful directive of the Board.

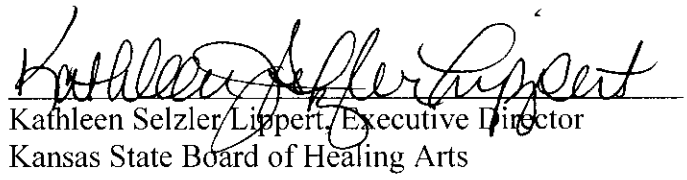
8. The Board considers Licensee's failure to comply with the requirements of a lawful directive of the Board to be a serious violation that undermines the ability of the Board to regulate professions.

9. The Board concludes there are grounds to discipline License's license pursuant to K.S.A. 65-2006(a)(12) based on Licensee's failure to attend the Midwest Podiatry Conference.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, BY THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF HEALING ARTS that Licensee's license to practice podiatry is hereby **SUSPENDED FOR 30 DAYS.**

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Board shall maintain jurisdiction over this matter to issue further order(s) deemed necessary and appropriate in the circumstances.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 6 DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2016, IN THE CITY OF TOPEKA, COUNTY OF SHAWNEE, STATE OF KANSAS.



Kathleen Selzler Lippert, Executive Director
Kansas State Board of Healing Arts

NOTICE OF RIGHTS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that this is a Final Order. A Final Order is effective upon service, and service of a Final Order is complete upon mailing. Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-529, Licensee may petition the Board for Reconsideration of a Final Order within fifteen (15) days following service of the final order. Additionally, 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 Kathleen Selzler Lippert, Executive Director, Kansas Board of Healing Arts, 800 SW Jackson, Lower Level-Suite A, Topeka, KS 66612.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing **FINAL ORDER** was served this 6th day of September, 2016, by depositing the same in the United States Mail, first-class postage prepaid, and addressed to:

Steven B. Larsen, DPM
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Hays, KS 67601

and a copy was hand-delivered to:

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and the original was filed with the office of the Executive Director

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