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No. 12-I-238

IN THE MATTER OF:

CHRISTOPHER GEORGE ANGE, SR., ATH
(Certificate No. J00022)
Respondent

**STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT
FOR VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF
ATHLETIC TRAINER CERTIFICATE**

This *Stipulation and Agreement* is made by Christopher George Ange, Sr., ATH, ("Mr. Ange"), an athletic trainer who at all times material to the facts and matters alleged herein was certified by the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (the "Board") to engage in athletic trainer practice in the state of Louisiana, as evidenced by Certificate No. J00022.

1. **ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND STIPULATIONS.** Mr. Ange hereby acknowledges, stipulates and agrees that:

a. An investigation conducted on behalf of the Board through its Investigating Officer (the "I/O") reveals that on or about March 14, 2012, Mr. Ange was arrested and charged with six (6) counts of Prohibited Sexual Conduct Between an Educator and a Student, in violation of La. Rev. Stat 14:81.4. On or about August 21, 2012, pursuant to a plea agreement with prosecutors, Mr. Ange pled no contest to one count, and the other charges were dismissed. As a result of his plea, the court ordered imposition of sentence deferred in accordance with Article 894 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, and Mr. Ange was placed on supervised probation for a period of one (1) year with stipulations, including but not limited to community service, random drug screens, and no contact with the school or the Victim.

b. Investigation of the captioned matter was assigned to the I/O, whose review and analysis confirms to her satisfaction that just cause exists for charging Mr. Ange with violation of the Louisiana Athletic Trainers Practice Act (the "Act"), La. Rev. Stat. §37:3308.A. and the Board's rules respecting athletic trainers, La. Adm. C. §46:XLV.5717.B..¹

¹ La. Rev. Stat. §37:3308.A. provides that the Board may take action against the certificate of an athletic trainer if he: "(1) Violated standards of practice established and promulgated by the board"; and "(3) Violated or conspired to violate the provision of this Chapter or rules promulgated pursuant to this Chapter." Pursuant to its rules, La. Adm. C.

c. Pursuant to the Act and the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, La. Rev. Stat. §§49:951, *et. seq.*, Mr. Ange would be entitled, prior to disciplinary action against his certificate to practice as an athletic trainer, to have notice of any allegations and charges asserted against him and to administrative adjudication of such charges, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §§49:951, *et. seq.* At such hearing Mr. Ange would be entitled to be represented by legal counsel, to call witnesses and present evidence on his own behalf in defense or in mitigation of the charges made and to a decision by the Board based upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §§49:951, *et. seq.*

2. **VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF CERTIFICATE.** In lieu of the institution and prosecution of formal administrative proceedings in this matter, and notwithstanding his right to notice of formal charges, administrative hearing and a decision thereon, as provided by La. Rev. Stat. §49:951, *et seq.*, in recognition of the stipulations set forth herein above, toward final disposition of the investigation now pending in this matter, Mr. Ange, nonetheless, waives his right to notice of charges and formal adjudication and hereby voluntarily surrenders to the Board for cancellation his certificate to practice as an athletic trainer in the state of Louisiana, as evidenced by Certificate No. No. J00022. By his subscription hereto Mr. Ange also hereby authorizes the I/O designated by the Board with respect hereto to present this Stipulation and Agreement for Voluntary Surrender of Athletic Trainer Certificate to the Board for its consideration and to fully disclose to and discuss with the Board the nature and results of the investigation and he waives any objection to such disclosures under La. Rev. Stat. §49:960.

3. **EFFECT OF VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF CERTIFICATE.** Mr. Ange acknowledges, stipulates and agrees that the voluntary surrender of his certificate to practice as athletic trainer effected hereby, in the presence of an administrative investigation, shall have and shall be deemed by the Board to have the same effect as if the Board had entered an order of revocation upon the conclusion of formal administrative proceedings. Mr. Ange further acknowledges, stipulates and agrees that as a result of the voluntary surrender of his certificate to practice as an athletic trainer he shall not have any right or entitlement to reinstatement or renewal of such certificate nor shall he hereafter be entitled to apply for or otherwise attempt to obtain any original, reinstated or renewal of his certificate for athletic trainer practice in the state of Louisiana.

4. **TERMINATION OF PROCEEDINGS.** By the voluntary surrender of his certificate to practice as an athletic trainer occasioned hereby Mr. Ange moreover, acknowledges, stipulates and agrees that he hereby waives any right to which he may be entitled pursuant to the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, La. Rev. Stat. §§49:951, *et. seq.*, or which otherwise may be afforded to him by any law to contest his agreement to, or the force and effect of this document in any court or other forum relating to stipulations, agreements, acknowledgments and other matters referred to herein.

5. **ADVICE OF COUNSEL.** Mr. Ange acknowledges that he has had the opportunity to seek the advice and guidance of legal counsel with respect to this Stipulation and that all of the terms, conditions, restrictions and limitations contained herein have been explained to him and/or that he fully understands them.

6. **PUBLIC RECORD.** Mr. Ange acknowledges, stipulates and agrees that this Stipulation and Agreement for Voluntary Surrender of Athletic Trainers Certificate shall be, and shall be deemed to be, a **PUBLIC RECORD**.

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STIPULATION
AND AGREEMENT

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF Caldwell

I, CHRISTOPHER GEORGE ANGE, SR., ATH, hereby acknowledge, approve, accept and consent to entry of the above and foregoing Stipulation and Agreement, this 19th day of March, 2013.

Christopher George Ange Sr. ATH
CHRISTOPHER GEORGE ANGE, SR., ATH

WITNESSES:

Terry Bass
Signature

Terry Bass
Printed Name

724 Fern St
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Shreveport LA 70663

Lisa K. Ange
Signature

LISA K. ANGE
Printed Name

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Sworn to and subscribed before me at Lake Charles, Louisiana, this 19th day of March, 2013, in the presence of the two stated witnesses.

Deborah Bass
Notary Public

Deborah Bass #1453
Printed Name/Notary/Bar #

ACCEPTANCE

CONSIDERING THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING, the Stipulation and Agreement for Voluntary Surrender of an Athletic Trainer Certificate is hereby **APPROVED AND ACCEPTED** by the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, this 29th day of April, 2013.

**LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF
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By:



MELVIN G. BOURGEOIS, M.D.
President