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IN THE MATTER OF:

MEGAN BROOKE REDDING, POLY

Applicant

No. 14-I-1040 CONSENT ORDER FOR ISSUANCE OF POLYSOMNOGRAPHIC TECHNICIAN PERMIT WITH OFFICIAL REPRIMAND

This matter is before the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (the "Board") on the application of Megan Brooke Redding, ("Ms. Redding") for issuance of a polysomnographic technician permit. While it appears from information available as supplied by Ms. Redding's application and otherwise that she is generally qualified for issuance of such permit, as acknowledged by her in her application, she reported that she has worked as a polysomnographic technician in this state without a permit or license.

On her own behalf, Ms. Redding advised the Board that she has worked as a sleep assistant in Louisiana since 2012, and she was unaware that Louisiana required a permit or license to work in polysomnography. On May 30, 2013, she passed the Certified Polysomnographic Technician exam, and thought that this allowed her to call herself a "Polysomnographic Technician." She now acknowledges that her understanding was in error, and she has accepted her responsibility to understand and comply with all rules and regulations regarding licensure/permits in this state.

As evidenced by her subscription to this Order Ms. Redding acknowledges the substantial accuracy of the foregoing information and that such acknowledgment and information could provide the Board with sufficient cause to deny her application pursuant to the Law respecting polysomnographic technicians.¹

Investigation of the captioned matter was assigned to the Investigation Officer ("I/O") herein for the Board. While it appears to the I/O that Ms. Redding is a conscientious and well-trained polysomnographic technician, the I/O's review and analysis of the matter confirms to her satisfaction that sufficient cause exists to charge Ms. Redding with one or more violations of the Polysomnographic Practice Act ("the Law"), La. R.S. §§37: 37:2867 and 2870.

¹La. Rev. Stat. §37:2867, 2870.

Recognizing her right to have notice of such allegations and charges asserted against her, to administrative adjudication of such charges, at which time she would be entitled to be represented by legal counsel, to call witnesses and to present evidence on her own behalf in defense or in mitigation of the charges made and to a decision thereon by the Board based upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §§49:951 et. seq., Ms. Redding, nonetheless, hereby waives her right to notice of charges and formal adjudication and pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §49:955(D) consents to entry of the Order set forth hereinafter. Ms. Redding further acknowledges and waives any right to which she may be entitled pursuant to the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, La. Rev. Stat. §§49:951 et. seq., or which otherwise may be afforded to her by law to contest her agreement to or the force and effect of this document in any court or other forum relating to the matters referred to herein. subscription hereto Ms. Redding also hereby authorizes the I/O designated by the Board with respect hereto to present this Consent Order to the Board for its consideration and to fully disclose to and discuss with the Board the nature and results of the investigation and she waives any objection to such disclosures under La. Rev. Stat. §49:960. Ms. Redding expressly acknowledges that the disclosure of information to the Board by the I/O shall be without prejudice to the I/O's authority to file a formal Administrative Complaint against her or to the Board's capacity to adjudicate such Complaint should the Board decline to approve this Consent Order.

Based upon the foregoing information, as well as the recommendation of the I/O, the Board has concluded that its responsibility to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of this state, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §37:2863, will be effectively served by entry of the order set forth hereinafter by consent. Accordingly, in consideration of the foregoing and pursuant to the authority vested in the Board by La. Rev. Stat. §37:2867 and La. Rev. Stat. §49:955(D);

- IT IS ORDERED that Megan Brooke Redding is hereby OFFICIALLY REPRIMANDED for the conduct asserted hereinabove.
- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a permit to practice as a polysomnographic technician in the state of Louisiana shall be issued to Megan Brooke Redding.
- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within nine (9) months of the date of this Order Ms. Redding shall pay the Board a fine in the amount of Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars, which represents the permit fees for two (2) years, plus a penalty of an equal amount.
- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any violation or failure of strict compliance with this Order by Ms. Redding shall be deemed adequate and sufficient cause, upon proof of such violation or failure, for such disciplinary action as the Board deems appropriate, as if such violations were enumerated among the causes provided in La. Rev. Stat. §37:2867.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Consent Order shall be, and shall be deemed to be, a public record.

Signed in New Orleans, Louisiana, and effective this _ 2015.

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MARK HENRY DAWSON, M.D.

Acknowledgement and Consent on Following Page

STATE OF LOUISIANA PARISH OF <u>ouachita</u>

ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND CONSENT

			
I, MEGAN BROOKE REDDING, hereby acknow	ledge, approve, accept and consent to entry of the		
above and foregoing Order, this 6 day o	f <u>Feb</u> , 2015.		
	Medan Brooke REDDING		
WITNESSES:			
Julue Redding	Christoph M, Heb I, Signature		
Juliee Redding Printed Name	Printed Name		
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