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IN THE MATTER OF:

JASON DERAN WILLIAMS, POLY
Applicant

No. 15-1-363 CONSENT ORDER FOR ISSUANCE OF POLYSOMNOGRAPHIC TECHNOLOGIST LICENSE WITH OFFICIAL REPRIMAND

This matter is before the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (the "Board") on the application of Jason Deran Williams, ("Mr. Williams") for issuance of a polysomnographic technologist license. While it appears from information available as supplied by Mr. Williams' application and otherwise that he is generally qualified for issuance of such license, as acknowledged by him in his application, he reported that he has worked as a polysomnographic technician in this state without a permit or license.

On his own behalf, Mr. Williams advised the Board that he has been a Licensed Practical Nurse in Louisiana since March 2010, and he thought that these credentials qualified him to work at a sleep center to gain clinical experience to be eligible for certification by the Board of Registered Polysomnographic Technologist ("BRPT"). After completing the necessary clinical experience hours, he obtained the RPSGT certification on August 20, 2014. Because of these qualifications, he thought he was able to work as a polysomnographic tech prior to licensure. He has now acknowledged that his understanding was in error and has accepted his responsibility to understand and comply with all laws and regulations regarding licensure in this state.

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

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¹La. Rev. Stat. §37:2867, 2870.

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

Recognizing his right to have notice of such allegations and charges asserted against him. to administrative adjudication of such charges, at which time he would be entitled to be represented by legal counsel, to call witnesses and to present evidence on his 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., Mr. Williams, nonetheless, hereby waives his 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. Mr. Williams further acknowledges and 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 law to contest his agreement to or the force and effect of this document in any court or other forum relating to the matters referred to herein. By his subscription hereto Mr. Williams 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 he waives any objection to such disclosures under La. Rev. Stat. §49:960. Mr. Williams 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 him 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 Jason Deran Williams is hereby OFFICIALLY **REPRIMANDED** for the conduct asserted hereinabove.
- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that licensure to practice as a polysomnographic technologist in the state of Louisiana shall be issued to Jason Deran Williams.
- IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within twelve (12) months of the date of this Order Mr. Williams shall pay the Board a fine in the amount of Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars. which represents the licensure fees for each of the past 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 Mr. Williams 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

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