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In The Matter of:	:	No. 20-I-85
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SETH RAY HENDRIX, PA	:	CONSENT ORDER
<i>Certificate No. PA.200736.RX</i>	:	FOR REPRIMAND
<i>Respondent</i>	:	_____
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An investigation was conducted by the Investigating Officer of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (the "Board") of Seth Ray Hendrix, PA ("Mr. Hendrix"), a Physician Assistant, who at all times pertinent was practicing as a physician assistant in and around Shreveport, Louisiana. The investigation revealed that Mr. Hendrix utilized the prescription pads of his supervising physicians, with their full knowledge, to write controlled substance prescriptions for multiple patients receiving chronic pain therapy. An investigation of the clinic where Mr. Hendrix was employed was undertaken by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, resulting in Mr. Hendrix surrendering his DEA registration.

Mr. Hendrix has fully cooperated with the Board and acknowledges that proof of the foregoing information upon an administrative evidentiary hearing could establish grounds under the Louisiana Physician Assistant's Practice Act, La. Rev. Stat. §§37:1360.21 et. seq., ("the Act") for the imposition of such terms, conditions and restrictions on his license to practice as a physician assistant in this state as the Board may deem appropriate, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §37:1360.33 (3), and (7).¹ In consideration of this finding, accordingly, and on the recommendation of the Investigating Officer respecting the pending investigation, the Board has concluded that its responsibility to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of this state against the unprofessional, unqualified and unsafe practice of medicine, will be effectively served by entry of the Order set forth hereinafter by consent.

Recognizing his right to have notice and administrative adjudication of any charges that may be filed in this matter, 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 any 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. Hendrix nonetheless, hereby waives his right to notice and formal adjudication and pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §49:955(D), consents to entry of the Order set forth hereinafter. By his subscription hereto, Mr. Hendrix also acknowledges that he 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

¹ The board may, exercising due process, discipline any physician assistant, as provided in R.S. 37:1360.34, who: (3) Violates any provision of this Part or any regulations adopted by the board pertaining to this Part. and (7) Has committed an act of moral turpitude.

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. Hendrix also hereby authorizes the Investigating Officer 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. Hendrix expressly acknowledges that the disclosure of information to the Board by the Investigating Officer shall be without prejudice to the Investigating Officer's authority to pursue formal administrative charges against him or to the Board's capacity to adjudicate such charges should the Board decline to approve this Consent Order. Accordingly, in consideration of the foregoing and pursuant to the authority vested in the Board by La. Rev. Stat. §37:1360.23 and La. Rev. Stat. §49:955(D);

IT IS ORDERED Seth Ray Hendrix, PA is hereby *Officially Reprimanded* for the conduct described hereinabove.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within one hundred eighty (180) days from the effective date of this Order, Mr. Hendrix shall participate in and successfully complete a course of study, pre-approved by the Board, which addresses ethics and professionalism.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within one hundred eighty (180) days from the effective date of this Order, Mr. Hendrix shall participate in and successfully complete the Board's course on Physician Assistant rules.


IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within one (1) year from the effective date of this Order, Mr. Hendrix shall pay to the Board a fine in the amount of One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any violation or failure of strict compliance with any of the terms or restrictions set forth by this Order by Mr. Hendrix shall be deemed adequate and sufficient cause, upon proof of such violation or failure, for such further action against Mr. Hendrix's license to practice as a physician assistant in the state of Louisiana as the Board may deem appropriate, as if such violations were enumerated among the causes provided in La. Rev. Stat. §37:1360.33

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Consent Order shall be, and shall be deemed to be, a public record. New Orleans, Louisiana, this 14th day of December, 2020.

**LOUISIANA STATE BOARD
OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

By: _____


Roderick V. Clark, MD, MBA
President

Acknowledgment and Consent Follows on Next Page

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT
AND CONSENT**

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF Caddo

I, SETH RAY HENDRIX, PA, hereby acknowledge that I have had the opportunity to seek the advice and guidance of legal counsel with respect to this Consent Order for Reprimand and that all of its terms and conditions have been fully explained to me and/or that I fully understand them. I further acknowledge that I approve, accept and consent to entry of the above and foregoing Order without duress and of my own free will and accord, this 21 day of October, 2020.

Seth Ray Hendrix
SETH RAY HENDRIX, PA

WITNESSES:

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21 day of October, 2020,
in the presence of the two stated witnesses.

[Signature]
Notary Public (Signature & Seal)



WILLIAM LANCE FOUTS
Notary Public
Notary ID No. 138509
Caddo Parish, Louisiana
My Commission is for life.

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