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STATE OF WISCONSIN

BEFORE THE ACCOUNTING EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

LESLIE J. WEBSTER,

RESPONDENT.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

LS 9909151ACC

**Division of Enforcement Case Nos. 97 ACC 027 and 98 ACC 011**

The parties to this action for the purposes of Wis. Stats. sec. 227.53 are:

*Leslie J. Webster,  
330 West Main Street  
PO Box 490  
Ellsworth, WI 54011*

*Accounting Examining Board  
PO Box 8935  
Madison WI 53708-8935*

*Department of Regulation and Licensing  
Division of Enforcement  
PO Box 8935  
Madison, WI 53708-8935*

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final decision of this matter, subject to the approval of the Board. The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Leslie J. Webster, CPA, (D.O.B. 11/05/53) holds a license as a certified public accountant in the state of Wisconsin (license #10452). The corresponding license to practice as a certified public accountant was first granted on January 23, 1987.
2. Mr. Webster's address is 330 West Main Street, P.O. Box 490, Ellsworth, WI 54011
3. On or about December 12, 1997, Mr. Webster was convicted of felony concealment of assets in a bankruptcy.
4. Mr. Webster has completed his term of imprisonment and is currently serving a three-year term of probation.
5. As a result of this conviction, the Wisconsin Supreme Court suspended Mr. Webster from the practice of law in Wisconsin for a period of two [2] years. This suspension became effective January 21, 1998.
6. Mr. Webster has not practiced as a certified public accountant since January 21, 1998.
7. In resolution of this matter, Mr. Webster consents to the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Examining Board has jurisdiction over this matter, pursuant to sec. 442.12, Stats.
2. The Wisconsin Accounting Examining Board is authorized to enter into the attached stipulation, pursuant to sec. 442.12, Stats.
3. The conviction referred to above constitute a basis for disciplinary action against Respondent's license to practice as a Certified Public Accountant in the state of Wisconsin, pursuant to sec. 442.12(2), Stats. and Wisconsin Administrative Code § Accy 1.401(1) and (2)(b).

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that

1. The Wisconsin license and certificate to practice as a certified public accountant (license #10452) of Leslie J. Webster shall be suspended, effective retroactively to commence on January 21, 1998. Mr. Webster shall immediately return all indicia of Wisconsin certification to the Board.
2. At any time following two [2] years from January 21, 1998, Respondent may petition for termination of the suspension and return of his certificate and license to practice as a certified public accountant in Wisconsin. In conjunction with any petition submitted under this Order, Respondent shall submit a) documentation of continuous and successful compliance with the terms of probation imposed pursuant to his 1997 conviction; b) documentation from the criminal justice system showing no arrests or convictions since his 1997 conviction; (Documentation of this requirement may be provided by Respondent's current probation officer. If the Respondent has completed probation at the time of his petition, the Department Monitor shall arrange for a criminal background check on Respondent in satisfaction of this requirement (pursuant to Respondent's request and payment of any usual and customary fees); and c) such documentation of current competency as the Board in its discretion may require pursuant to Wis. Adm. Code sec. Accy 4.035(2)(c). Denial in whole or in part of a petition under this paragraph shall not give rise to a contested case within the meaning of secs. 227.01(3) and 227.42, Stats.

**Department monitor**

3. The Department Monitor is the individual designated by the Board as its agent to coordinate compliance with the terms of this Order, including receiving and coordinating all reports and petitions. The Department Monitor may be reached as follows:

Department Monitor  
Division of Enforcement  
PO Box 8935  
Madison, WI 53708-8935  
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ACCOUNTING EXAMINING BOARD

By:

Frank Probst

A Member of the Board

December 3, 1999

Date