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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE DENTISTRY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY	:	
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	
	:	FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
CHRISTOPHER P. GILLING, D.D.S.,	:	94 DEN 072
RESPONDENT.	:	

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

Christopher P. Gilling, D.D.S.
715 West Ramsdell
Marion, WI 54950

Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935

Department of Regulation and Licensing
Division of Enforcement
P.O. 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. Christopher P. Gilling (D.O.B. 10/12/54) is duly licensed in the state of Wisconsin as a dentist (license # 0002495). This license was first granted on June 11, 1980.

2. Respondent's latest address on file with the Department of Regulation and Licensing is 715 West Ramsdell, Marion, WI 54950.

3. On February 24, 1994, Respondent accepted the minor child, KS, for a dental examination.

4. A dental hygienist employed by the Respondent seated the child and told the mother that a "routine check-up" of the child could include charting of the teeth, diagnostic X-rays, cleaning of the teeth, and possible flouride treatment.

5. The dental hygienist encountered behavioral difficulty with KS, and informed the mother it would "probably be better to do the procedures with Mrs. S. outside the room." After the mother left the room, the hygienist was unable to obtain the X-rays from KS due to the emotional conduct of the child, including the child gagging when the bite-wing film was placed in her mouth.

6. Respondent then informed the mother that he was going to obtain the X-rays and check the work done by the hygienist. Respondent told the mother that it was his policy that the parent leave the exam room while the procedure was taking place.

7. Respondent proceeded to calm the child and then obtained the X-rays by employing a restraint technique referred to by Respondent as "firm but non invasive or abusive head control", which included "hand on shoulders for positioning, hand over mouth, and gentle but firm thumb-finger face holding."

8. Respondent did not explain the restraint technique to the patient or parent before employing it and did not obtain an informed consent. Respondent did not document in the patient record the need for, use, or result of the restraint.

9. Use of the restraint technique by Respondent resulted in bruising of the face of KS.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

By the conduct described above, Christopher P. Gilling is subject to disciplinary action against his license to practice as a dentist in the state of Wisconsin, pursuant to Wis. Stats. sec. 447.07(3)(a) and (h), and Wis. Adm. Code sec. DE 5.02(1) and (5).

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that :

1. Christopher P. Gilling is REPRIMANDED for his conduct in this matter.

2. The license of Respondent to practice as a dentist in the state of Wisconsin is LIMITED in that Respondent shall certify to the Dentistry Examining Board within six (6) months of the date of this Order the successful completion of an approved course of training in informed consent and behavior management techniques of at least 7.5 hours (one day). The course outline must be approved by a designee of the Board not later than two (2) months from the date of this Order. No outline will be approved unless it includes the name of the institution offering the instruction, the name of the instructor, and the course content. In the event the Respondent fails to certify the successful completion of the educational requirement within the time limit set forth, his license to practice dentistry shall be suspended, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with all of the requirements of this Order.

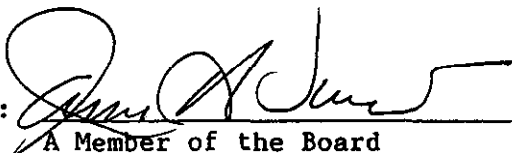
3. Respondent shall pay to the Department of Regulation and Licensing the costs of investigation and prosecution of this action in the sum of \$ 200.00 within two (2) months of the date of this Order.

The rights of a party aggrieved by this Decision to petition the Board for rehearing and to petition for judicial review are set forth on the attached "Notice of Appeal Information".

This Order shall become effective upon the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN DENTISTRY EXAMINING BOARD

By:


A Member of the Board

Date

11/3/96

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE DENTISTRY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF	:	
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	STIPULATION
CHRISTOPHER P. GILLING, D.D.S.,	:	94 DEN 072
RESPONDENT	:	

It is hereby stipulated between Christopher P. Gilling, personally on his own behalf and by his attorney, Michael C. Meyer, and James W. Harris, Attorney for the Department of Regulation and Licensing, Division of Enforcement, as follows that:

1. This Stipulation is entered in resolution of the pending proceedings concerning Respondent's license. The stipulation and order shall be presented directly to the Dentistry Examining Board for its consideration for adoption.

2. Respondent understands that by the signing of this Stipulation he voluntarily and knowingly waives his rights, including: the right to a hearing on the allegations against him, at which time the state has the burden of proving those allegations by a preponderance of the evidence; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him; the right to call witnesses on his behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena; the right to testify himself; the right to file objections to any proposed decision and to present briefs or oral arguments to the officials who are to render the final decision; the right to petition for rehearing; and all other applicable rights afforded to him under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, and the Wisconsin Administrative Code.

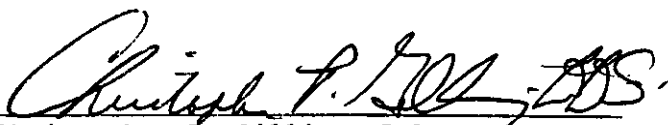
3. Respondent is aware of his right to seek legal representation and has obtained legal advice prior to signing this stipulation.

4. Respondent agrees to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order by the Dentistry Examining Board. The parties to the Stipulation consent to the entry of the attached Final Decision and Order without further notice, pleading, appearance or consent of the parties. Respondent waives all rights to any appeal of the Board's order, if adopted in the form as attached.


5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Board, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall be returned to the Division of Enforcement for further proceedings. In the event that this Stipulation is not accepted by the Board, the parties agree not to contend that the Board has been prejudiced or biased in any manner by the consideration of this attempted resolution.

6. The parties to this stipulation agree that the attorney for the Division of Enforcement may appear before the Dentistry Examining Board for the purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that the members of the Board may have in connection with their deliberations on the stipulation.

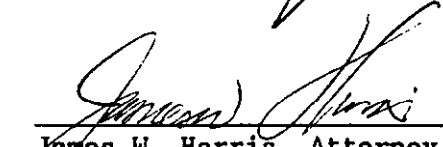
7. The Division of Enforcement joins Respondent in recommending the Dentistry Examining Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.


Christopher P. Gilling, D.D.S.

11-13-95
Date


Michael C. Meyer, Attorney for Respondent

11/13/95
Date


James W. Harris, Attorney
Division of Enforcement

11/30/1995
Date

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NOTICE OF APPEAL INFORMATION

Notice Of Rights For Rehearing Or Judicial Review, The Times Allowed For Each, And The Identification Of The Party To Be Named As Respondent.

Serve Petition for Rehearing or Judicial Review on:

STATE OF WISCONSIN DENTISTRY EXAMINING BOARD

1400 East Washington Avenue

P.O. Box 8935

Madison, WI 53708.

The Date of Mailing this Decision is:

January 4, 1996

1. REHEARING

Any person aggrieved by this order may file a written petition for rehearing within 20 days after service of this order, as provided in sec. 227.49 of the *Wisconsin Statutes*, a copy of which is reprinted on side two of this sheet. The 20 day period commences the day of personal service or mailing of this decision. (The date of mailing this decision is shown above.)

A petition for rehearing should name as respondent and be filed with the party identified in the box above.

A petition for rehearing is not a prerequisite for appeal or review.

2. JUDICIAL REVIEW.

Any person aggrieved by this decision may petition for judicial review as specified in sec. 227.53, *Wisconsin Statutes* a copy of which is reprinted on side two of this sheet. By law, a petition for review must be filed in circuit court and should name as the respondent the party listed in the box above. A copy of the petition for judicial review should be served upon the party listed in the box above.

A petition must be filed within 30 days after service of this decision if there is no petition for rehearing, or within 30 days after service of the order finally disposing of a petition for rehearing, or within 30 days after the final disposition by operation of law of any petition for rehearing.

The 30-day period for serving and filing a petition commences on the day after personal service or mailing of the decision by the agency, or the day after the final disposition by operation of the law of any petition for rehearing. (The date of mailing this decision is shown above.)