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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BEFORE THE DENTISTRY EXAMINING BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY  
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

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MODIFICATION OF ORDER

CATHERINE A. LARSEN, D.D.S.,  
RESPONDENT.

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(May, 1996)

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To: Catherine A. Larsen, D.D.S.  
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Menasha, WI 54952

On May 3, 1995, the State of Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board issued a Final Decision and Order Adopting Stipulation in the above-captioned matter. Among other things, the decision ordered that the license of Catherine A. Larsen, D.D.S., to practice dentistry be subject to certain enumerated terms and conditions. Included were requirements that Dr. Larsen: 1) participate in therapy counseling sessions at least once a week; 2) obtain random urine or blood screens for alcohol and other drugs at least four times each month; 3) could not be self-employed or otherwise engage in independent practice as a dentist; 4) could not order, administer or prescribe controlled substances; and 5) have her employer provide information in quarterly reports respecting her access to prescription drugs and provide a summary of the quarterly accountability audits of schedule II controlled substances.

Dr. Larsen has requested that the above enumerated requirements within the board's Final Decision and Order be eliminated from her order. The board reviewed the request and other documentation submitted in support of the request at its meeting on May 1, 1996.

The board granted Dr. Larsen's request that the prohibition against her being self employed or engaging in independent practice be removed. Under the terms of the order, and pursuant to the information received, her supervised practice has been satisfactory over the first year in which it has been in effect. Accordingly, the request was granted.

However, the board did not grant the remainder of Dr. Larsen's requests. A five year program of rehabilitation is envisioned under the order. The order provides that she may not request a modification of the relevant provisions until she has successfully complied with those provisions, as originally stipulated to, for two years. Again, Dr. Larsen has only been in the program for one year.

Furthermore, provisions which are intended to assess and assure Dr. Larsen's continued recovery should not be removed or modified simultaneous to granting her the ability to practice dentistry independently. Granting the requests would effectively remove nearly all of the means by which the board may be assured that Dr. Larsen is continuing to be successful in her rehabilitation

efforts, as well as in compliance with the board's order. Dr. Larsen's additional requested modifications were not granted.

Based upon the information received, and discussion had, the board makes the following,

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that paragraph 2.(d)(2), of the order contained within the Final Decision and Order dated May 3, 1995 is removed. The respondent, Catherine A. Larsen, D.D.S., may be self-employed as or work independently as a dentist, effective immediately.

FURTHERMORE, IT IS ORDERED that in all other respects, the Final Decision and Order dated May 3, 1995, remains in full force and effect.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1996.

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
DENTISTRY EXAMINING BOARD



James A. Sievert, D.D.S.  
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