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STATE OF WISCONSIN

BEFORE THE VETERINARY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST:

WILLIAM H. MEYER, DVM

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

RESPONDENT

LS0105231VET

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

William H. Meyer, DVM

3970 N. Brookfield Rd.

Brookfield, WI 53045

Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board

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Madison, WI 53708-8935

Department of Regulation and Licensing

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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 Wisconsin Veterinary Examining 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. William H. Meyer, DVM, (DOB 09/11/1934) is duly licensed in the state of Wisconsin as a veterinarian (license # 815). This license was first granted on June 25, 1964.
2. Respondent's latest address on file with the Department of Regulation and Licensing is 3970 N. Brookfield Road, Brookfield, WI 53045.
3. Respondent has been in the practice of veterinary medicine for about 35 years. During that period, he has performed thousands of neutering procedures of small animals comprising mainly of cats and dogs. He has also spayed and neutered about half a dozen rabbits.
4. On August 24, 2000, a five-month-old, Minilop rabbit "Aulait" was brought into the Meyer Animal Hospital for a scheduled neutering procedure. According to Dr. Meyer, the surgical procedure in which he performed a triple ligation after separating the spermatic cord went unremarkably. However, he failed to close the inguinal canal after the procedure. This made it possible for the intestines to eviscerate through the opening to the outside.
5. On August 25, 2000, "Aulait" was taken into the Animal Emergency Center, Glendale, Wisconsin. According to the medical records, the patient presented with several loops of intestines protruding through the left scrotal incision, they were strangulated and purple in color. Due to the poor prognosis that they were given regarding an

intestinal anastomosis or re-sectioning, the owners elected euthanasia.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to § 453.07(1)(f) Stats.
2. The Wisconsin Veterinary Examining Board has authority to enter into this stipulated resolution of this matter pursuant to § 227.44(5).

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Respondent's license to practice veterinary medicine shall be LIMITED as follows:

1. The Respondent is prohibited from advertising and/or providing professional veterinary services for the care and treatment of rabbits.
2. The terms of this limited license are permanent.

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

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

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin this 17th day of April 2001.

By: Diane Scott, DVM

5-23-01

A Member of the Board

Date