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#### STATE OF WISCONSIN

#### BEFORE THE BARBERING AND COSMETOLOGY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY

**PROCEEDINGS AGAINST:** 

DANIELLE KRUEGER FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

RESPONDENT LS0106046BAC

#### Division of Enforcement Case No. 00 BAC 006

The parties to this action for the purposes of section 227.53 of the Wisconsin statutes are:

Danielle Krueger

2606 Crest Lane, Apt. #104

Waukesha, WI 53188

Barbering and Cosmetology Examining Board

P.O. Box 8935

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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 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. Danielle Krueger is a licensed cosmetologist in the State of Wisconsin, having license #79236, first granted on April 10, 2000. The last known address for Krueger on file with the Department of Licensing and Regulation is 129 Tenny Avenue, Waukesha, Wisconsin, 53186. During the course of the investigation, Krueger verified that her current address is 2606 Crest Lane, Waukesha, Wisconsin, 53188.
- 2. On exact dates unknown, but beginning at least on December 30, 1999 and continuing through at least April 9, 2000, Krueger was providing barbering and cosmetology services at Hot Heads Salon, a licensed barbering and cosmetology establishment.
- 3. Hot Heads Salon is located at 6008 Vliet Street, Wauwatosa, WI 53213. The owner of the establishment is Janis Casey. The salon is a currently licensed establishment, having first been granted a license (# 80-26279) on March 13, 1997.
- 4. On or about December 30, 2000, Krueger cut the hair of Chris Monroe, a customer at Hot Heads Salon. Monroe complained to the manager of the salon about the quality of the haircut that she received from Krueger.

- 5. On January 11, 2001, the Department received a formal complaint from Monroe concerning Krueger's conduct. Monroe inquired as to whether Ms. Krueger was licensed.
- 6. The Department records indicate that at the time relevant to this action, Ms. Krueger did not hold a Wisconsin Barbering and Cosmetology license. Krueger had a temporary permit, which expired on October 30, 1998. A true and correct copy of the temporary permit is attached and marked as **Exhibit 1**.
- 7. On April 19, 2000, the Department of Regulation and Licensing interviewed Mary Valdez, the manager of Hot Heads Salon, and Janis Casey, the owner. Valdez confirmed that Krueger had worked at the salon and had cut the complainant's hair.
- 8. Casey indicated that when she hired Krueger, she was given a copy of a wallet size license card as proof of her credentials. Krueger told Casey that she had left the original card with her former employer. A true and correct copy of the license card provided by Krueger is attached as **Exhibit 2.**
- 9. After receiving the customer complaint from Monroe, Casey decided to check on Krueger's credentials. When Casey discovered that Krueger was unlicensed, she confronted Krueger who admitted that she did not have a license. Krueger told Casey that she had made the phony license card on her computer.
- 10. Krueger's name and license #72347-082 were printed on the copy of the wallet size license card that Krueger gave to Casey. The Department records show that license number #72347-082 had never been issued to Krueger. The license number was issued to Jennifer Sterr on April 4, 1992. A true and correct copy of the Department's license record for Jennifer Sterr is attached as **Exhibit 3.**
- 11. After admitting her deception, Krueger pleaded with Casey not to fire her because she was a single mother and needed the income. Casey felt sorry for Krueger and agreed to let her work as a receptionist at the salon until she passed her license exams. Casey helped Krueger study for and pass her exams.
- 12. Sterr became acquainted with Krueger when they worked together at the Signature Salon in 1998. During this time, Krueger had borrowed Sterr's wallet size license card so that she could purchase some products at a beauty supply company. Krueger did not return Sterr's card and told her that she had forgot it at home. Krueger never returned Sterr's license card.
- 13. Debra Stein worked at Signature Salon with Sterr and Krueger. Stein asked Krueger why she needed to borrow Sterr's license. Krueger told her that she had left her license at home. Stein later went to Krueger's home and saw cosmetology textbooks on her table. Krueger admitted to Stein that she had just passed the exam and asked her not to tell anyone.
- 14. Krueger told the Department Investigator, Cynthia Thomas, that she did not alter Sterr's card or give it to Casey as proof of her credentials. Krueger stated that she believes her abusive boyfriend altered Sterr's card and gave it to Casey to get Krueger into trouble.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

By the conduct referred to in the paragraphs above, Danielle Krueger has violated Wis. Stats. secs.454.04 (1) (a) and 454.15 (2) (g) by working without a valid license.

### **ORDER**

NOW, THEREFORE, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Danielle Krueger shall pay to the Department of Regulation and Licensing a forfeiture of ONE THOUSAND dollars (\$1,000.00).

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Danielle Krueger shall have twelve (12) months from the effective date of this Order to pay the forfeiture. Payment shall be made by **certified check or money order**, payable to the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing and sent to:

**Department Monitor, Division of Enforcement,** 

Department of Regulation and Licensing,

PO Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708-8935

In the event Danielle Krueger fails to timely submit payment of the forfeiture, as set forth above, her practitioner's license **SHALL BE SUSPENDED**, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with the terms of this Order.

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

## BARBERING AND COSMETOLOGY EXAMINING BOARD

By: Barbara Flaherty 6-4-01

A member of the Board Date